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France Insists on Action

HITLER'S PLANS "INADEQUATE"

MILITARY PARLEYS WON'T BE DELAYED

BRITISH GUARANTEE OF FRENCH SECURITY

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Paris, Apr. 2.

France has denounced the German counter-proposals to the Locarno Powers' peace formula, declaring they are utterly inadequate. France insists upon a meeting of the French, British and Belgian General Staffs and a conference of the Locarno Powers to consider what action shall be taken.

Meanwhile, Paris has received the British letter authorising a start on the General Staff talks.

French leaders to-day asserted that Germany had failed, in its memorandum delivered yesterday, to answer the French questions on specific European problems. Moreover, Germany had misinterpreted the Locarno Treaty's history and had not offered eastern or central European collective security plans. Further, the German proposals provided for only provisional, instead of permanent, peace.—United Press.

Almost Entirely Negative

Paris, Apr. 2.

The German memorandum is considered by France to be almost entirely negative, according to authoritative circles, which contend that the German peace proposals would result in the ruin of the collective security system, mutual aid and the League of Nations itself.

It is pointed out that the Locarno Powers agreed that before negotiations could be opened for the organisation of European peace, international law, broken by Germany, must be re-established, at least in part. But the Reich had mostly rejected the measures provided.

It is felt the German memorandum deals a serious blow to the League by suppressing the Hague Tribunal in favour of a court of arbitration, of which no details are given.—Reuter.

To Make Statement

London, Apr. 2.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, will make a statement in the House of Commons to-morrow dealing with the German reply to the Locarno Powers' peace proposals.—Reuter, Bulletin Service.

Immediate Action Urged

Paris, Apr. 2.

It is understood that a meeting of the Locarno Powers is envisaged for April 8 at Brussels or Paris. At a half-hour meeting between the British Ambassador, Sir George Clerk, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Pierre Flanin, to-day, the question of this Locarno conference was considered. It is understood the British Government has been asked for an immediate reply to the suggestion.—Reuter.

Staff Negotiations

London, Apr. 2.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, announced to-day that Great Britain could not agree to a postponement of the General Staff negotiations with Belgium and France, which are regarded as an essential element in the restoration of confidence. The conversations will be kept under the strictest control of the Cabinet. (Continued on Page 5.)

TO BE CROWNED IN MAY, 1937



The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, announced in the House of Commons to-day that the coronation of King Edward VIII would be held in May, 1937, the precise date to be fixed as soon as possible. He intimated that representatives of the Dominions, India and the Colonies would be invited to attend the ceremonies, as is customary.—Reuter, Bulletin Service.

Amy Mollison Ready For Long Flight

London, Apr. 2.

Mrs. Amy Mollison expects to leave Gravesend Aerodrome at 3 a.m. on April 3 in a mystery plane, capable of high speed. She is going to try to regain the record for the England to Cape Town flight, which she recently lost to Tommy Roe. Mrs. Mollison hopes to reach Cape Town in two days' flying, over the West African route. She took her machine out on a trial flight this afternoon.—Reuter.

"I SERVE" REMAINS MOTTO

KING OF ENGLAND'S IDEAL OF DUTY

London, Apr. 2.

His Majesty the King received addresses from privileged public bodies to-day, in which condolences were expressed on the death of the King, his father, and congratulations on his own accession presented.

Among the leaders of the deputation presenting the addresses were the Lord Mayor of London, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and Archbishop of York, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, as Chancellor of Cambridge University, Mr. Ramsey MacDonald, and Mr. Neville Chamberlain. Replying to the addresses, His Majesty said: "As Prince of Wales I adopted the motto: 'I serve.' 'As King I hold there is no higher function than to serve.' 'I shall strive for the peace of the world and for the betterment of industry and agriculture in this country that everyone may have a chance to work, a right which every citizen should enjoy.'—Reuter, Bulletin Service.

END OF MOURNING

London, Apr. 2.

In connection with national mourning for late King it is authoritatively stated King Edward and Queen Mary would approve after Easter return to wearing of colours by general public.—British Wireless.

R.A.F. UNIFORMS

TROUSERS INSTEAD OF BREECHES

London, Apr. 2.

The Air Ministry announces impending changes in Service uniforms for the officers and airmen of the Royal Air Force, the most important of which is the abolition of breeches and puttees in favour of trousers for all ranks.—British Wireless.

HEAVY TOLL OF STORM

40 Killed and 400 Injured

GEORGIA HARD-HIT

New York, Apr. 2.

At least forty have been killed and four hundred injured as the result of a disastrous tornado, followed by torrential rains, which is sweeping Georgia, Alabama and South Carolina.

Thirty-three are dead in Cordoba (Georgia) alone, which is the centre of the storm.

Eye-witnesses state that the tornado splintered houses like dynamite, mangled the victims.

The new baseball stadium at Cordoba has been converted into a hospital, and the Governor of Georgia has despatched two companies of the National Guard and five Army doctors to the scene.

Three trains were derailed by landslides. One plunged into French Broad River, the passengers miraculously escaping.

The damage is estimated at over a million dollars.—Reuter.

WIDE DESTRUCTION

New York, Apr. 2.

Tornado and flood have again ravaged the south and the death list already reached forty, with scores more injured. Property damage is estimated at over \$1,000,000.

Georgia was hardest hit. Cordoba was hit by the full blast of the storm and homes, power lines and plantations were destroyed.

The National Guard reports that ten whites and 30 negroes have been killed.

Torrential rains washed out the railroad near Chatsworth and Alabama state was inundated in many places by rivers which turned from placid streams into ravaging torrents. Families fled from the lowlands.—United Press.

NAZIS "DECLARE WAR" ON ZEPPELIN COMMANDER

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Berlin, Apr. 2.

Owing to his refusal to allow himself to become a propagandist for Herr Hitler, the Nazis have "declared war" on Dr. Hugo Eckener, the well-known Zeppelin commander.

Dr. Josef Goebbels, Minister for Propaganda, has issued instructions that Dr. Eckener's name is henceforth not to be mentioned in the newspapers, whilst no more pictures of him are to be published.

This drastic decision follows the efforts to "Nazify" Dr. Eckener and the Zeppelin works at Friedrichshafen.

While a loyal German, Dr. Eckener has always resisted the attempts to mingle politics and airships. It is understood that the Nazis desired to christen the new airship "Adolf Hitler," but it is alleged that Dr. Eckener forestalled them by prematurely announcing the name of the ship was "Field Marshal von Hindenburg."

It is further stated that Dr. Eckener resisted the use of the new airship for Nazi propaganda during the recent election.—Reuter Special.



THE "QUEEN MARY"

London, Apr. 2.

The liner Queen Mary is to remain in the King George V graving dock at Southampton until she sails for the North on Sunday. Official trials will be held to mention his name or to publish his photograph.—Reuter.

WENDEL TELLS WHY HE ADMITTED TO LINDBERGH CRIME

STRUNG UP BY THUMBS IN CELLAR PRISON

New York, Apr. 2.

An astounding story of how his confession to the murder of the Lindbergh baby was extracted by torture, was told by Paul Wendel, former Trenton lawyer, when he was interviewed by a representative of the Brooklyn District Attorney to-day.

Wendel said he was imprisoned for ten days in the cellar of a Brooklyn house. Before he signed the confession he was tortured with fire, strung up by his thumbs to the ceiling, and threatened with a terrible death. His captors said they would seal him alive in a barrel of cement and lower him to the bed of the sea.

After four men had burned his eyebrows and body with cigarettes, he finally wrote the confession. Then, he declares, the gangsters drove him to a point outside the house of Detective-Inspector Ellis Parker, where they dropped him.—Reuter.

Searching Probe

New York, Apr. 2.

The authorities are searching into investigating Paul Wendel's charges that he was tortured into making the confession of murder of the Lindbergh baby, which he has since repudiated.

He has stated that as he entered a New York hotel on January 14 "a man pressed a gun against his back" and ordered him into a car. He was imprisoned in a cellar for ten days, was burned and beaten and finally hung up by his thumbs. After a week of this sort of treatment he agreed to sign a confession, he said.—United Press.

HOPE FOR END OF TENSION

BORDER FIGHTING EXPLAINED

MANCHUKUO VIEW

Moscow, Apr. 2.

With the cessation of hostilities in the latest Outer Mongolia-Manchukuo border incident, Government circles here are more hopeful that the situation will improve.

The fighting of March 31, which continued yesterday, is described as the most serious which has yet occurred.—Reuter.

CAUSE OF CLASH

Washington, Apr. 2.

The Japanese Embassy here has informed the Government that the March 31 border incident and the subsequent crisis was caused by the seizure of a Manchukuo Army officer by Mongolians. He was arrested on March 29.

On March 31 Manchukuo troops undertook to rescue him, and sharp fighting followed, in which the Mongols used tanks and aeroplanes.—United Press.

MANCHUKUO PROTEST

Tokyo, Apr. 2.

A protest from the Manchukuo Government over the March 31 incident has been lodged with outer Mongolia. It claims that the Mongols aggressively attacked the Japanese-Manchukuo frontier post near Lake Bulun, causing several casualties. The Manchukuo forces were obliged to defend themselves. Manchukuo warns Mongolia that unless such actions cease grave consequences will follow. Mongolia (Continued on Page 6.)

Britain's Interest Respected

ITALIANS AT LAKE TSANA

ETHIOPIANS IN RETREAT

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Apr. 2.

The British authorities show little concern over Italy's advance towards Lake Tsana, recalling Signor Benito Mussolini's repeated assurances that Britain's interests will be respected there.—United Press.

STEADY ADVANCE

Rome, April 2.

A communique from the line of action near Gondar states to-day that the Italians have occupied the towns of Mesaldegara and Raft, in the north-west sector, and that numbers of Emperor Haile Selassie's Guards are deserting to the Italian side.

Italian aircraft and artillery are intensively active north of Lake Ashangi. It is reported that Emperor Haile Selassie is retreating rapidly towards Dessale. Military experts believe he is in danger of being bottled up, since flying columns are reported converging on Dessale from the east and west.

RESPECTS PROMISE

It is authoritatively stated that Britain need not be disturbed by the Italian occupation of Lake Tsana, as Signor Mussolini will adhere to his promise and respect British interests. It is denied that Italians are occupying the region for political motives, and in order to force a settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian controversy, with all its attendant complications, while Britain is harassed in the Rhineland dispute. "Our motives are purely military and strategic," the Italians claim.

ON LAKE'S SHORE

Italy's motorised cavalry to-day hoisted the Roman colours on the northern shore of Lake Tsana, which Great Britain regards as her own special domain in Ethiopia.

Simultaneously, Marshal Pietro Badoglio's forces mopped up in the Lake Ashangi region, where they met and crushingly defeated Emperor Haile Selassie's hand-picked Imperial Guard, led by the Conquering Lion of Judah, himself. The battle took place yesterday. Lake Tsana is the source of the Blue Nile and supplies the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan and Egypt with water.—United Press.

Fighting To Save Prisoner

Hauptmann's In Jury's Hands

EXECUTION TO-NIGHT?

(Special To "Telegraph")

Trenton, April 2.

For two hours to-day Governor Harold Hoffman of New Jersey testified before the Grand Jury considering the charge of murder against Paul Wendel, presenting every possible argument to show that the mystery of the Lindbergh case was still unsolved.

When he had concluded, the New Jersey Attorney General, Mr. Wilentz, presented his arguments. He said it was impossible to indict Wendel on a murder charge.

Even if he admitted the confession he had repudiated he could not be held for murder, because his confession says the baby died accidentally in a fall from bed. "That is not murder," argued Mr. Wilentz.

WIFE WITH HAUPTMANN

Meanwhile, in Trenton, Bruno Hauptmann awaits the decision of those who hold the power of life and death over him. He is scheduled to die to-morrow night, but he is still confident he will escape execution.

His wife was with him to-day and said she was certain it would not be her last visit.

The hour for Hauptmann's death—8 p.m. Friday—was fixed again to-night. But there is a fair chance that the prisoner's incredible luck will hold and that he will at least live through the summer.

READY FOR CHAIR

Hauptmann's clipped skull is still gleaming from a haircut he was given in preparation for his execution in the electric chair.

This morning he did not awaken until after 10 o'clock and when he did he ate a hearty breakfast.

At 9 a.m. to-morrow the Mercer County Grand Jury resumes its deliberations on the case of Paul H. Wendel, disgraced Trenton attorney, who confessed to the Lindbergh baby's abduction. Hauptmann's life hangs on the decision of this jury of 22 men and a woman, plain, ordinary people, who have shifted the spotlight from the Trenton state prison to themselves. They can keep Hauptmann alive even past Friday by simply sitting still and doing nothing about the murder charge against Wendel.

If the jurors report no indictment against Wendel, Hauptmann will die. If they indict Wendel, Hauptmann's life may be spared another six months, although no-one can be certain about even that. Only Hauptmann and his wife are confident.—United Press.

BRITISH MONEY TO AID JEWS

DONATIONS OF £20,000 EACH SWELL TOTAL

London, Apr. 2.

A preliminary list of contributions to the British appeal for £1,000,000, launched by the Council for German Jewry, exceeds £400,000.

The list is headed by contributions of £20,000 each by the Rothschild family, Lord Boardman's family, and the Simon Marks' family.—Reuter Special.



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COMMON COLD: IS THE CAUSE FOUND?

MYSTERY VIRUS DISCOVERY

BRITISH DOCTORS' HOPE

A MYSTERIOUS virus, invisible
under the most powerful micro-
scope, is now being studied by British
scientists in their investigations into
the cause and cure of influenza and
the common cold.

This minute living organism, which is
believed to be the long-sought cause of the
influenzal condition, is stated to be the main
problem now confronting the scientists, and
the one on which they are concentrating.

Its origin and properties are being inquired
into by two full-time experts—Dr. C. H. S. Harris,
of London University, and Dr. Leslie Hoyle, of
Manchester University, both holders of the Royce
research scholarships, founded under the will of
the late Sir Henry Royce, the famous motor
engineer.

The two men are devoting their whole time to
tracking down the causes of colds and influenza
and to attempting to discover a cure.

Only a few specimens of the virus,
jealously guarded in bacteriolo-
gical laboratories, are in existence,
an ironical aspect of the situation
being that the absence of an in-
fluenza epidemic is hampering the
efforts of the research workers.
They are having to work with
specimens obtained a considerable
time ago.

Dr. Hoyle described some of his
work to a reporter. "In several
cases of influenza no virus has
been traced," he said, "and it is
not certain that the virus does
produce influenza. We are now
trying to obtain more specimens
and to produce a serum."

"If we find the virus is the
cause of influenza, then we can
begin to trace its origin, and
eventually to search for a cure
or prevent the virus from be-
coming active."

X-Ray Photograph

"Dr. Harris and I are in close
touch with the work being done in
Germany and the United States.
So far all that any of us has been
able to do is to isolate this virus."
There is a possibility of the
virus being photographed in the

IRON LUNG STOPS AFTER 699 DAYS

San Francisco, Mar. 28.
An iron lung which had
pumped breath into the frail
body of eighteen-year-old Ray-
mond Rambo, suffering from
infantile paralysis, stopped its
work to-day.

Raymond has died following
acute stomach-cramp.
The iron lung had kept him
breathing for 699 days.

near future. A new microscope,
using X-rays, has been construct-
ed in London and several of the
larger viruses have already been
photographed by its aid.

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length of light. Only by using
ultra-violet rays or X-rays can
they be made visible.

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Australia's summer is just ending as ours comes in. But,
as seen in photograph just received, Australian bathing
belles still find it necessary to apply oil to those burning
shoulders.

Smallest Cocktail Set In World

London, Mar. 28.
The latest addition to Queen
Mary's doll's house is a complete
cocktail set, claimed to be the
smallest in the world.

The tray measures two inches
by one-and-a-half inches. The
glasses are one-quarter of an inch
high. Originally there were six
glasses, but they are so small that
one has been lost. There are also
two decanters in the set. The en-
tire outfit is made of a new imita-
tion glass material shown at the
British Industries Fair in London,
where the cocktail set was placed
on view for the first time.

Queen Mary's doll's house was
made by ex-service men a few
years ago and is exhibited on be-
half of charity.—United Press.



Eddie Cantor surrounded by the 1936 crop of gorgeous Goldwyn Girls who cavort with him in "Strike Me Pink",
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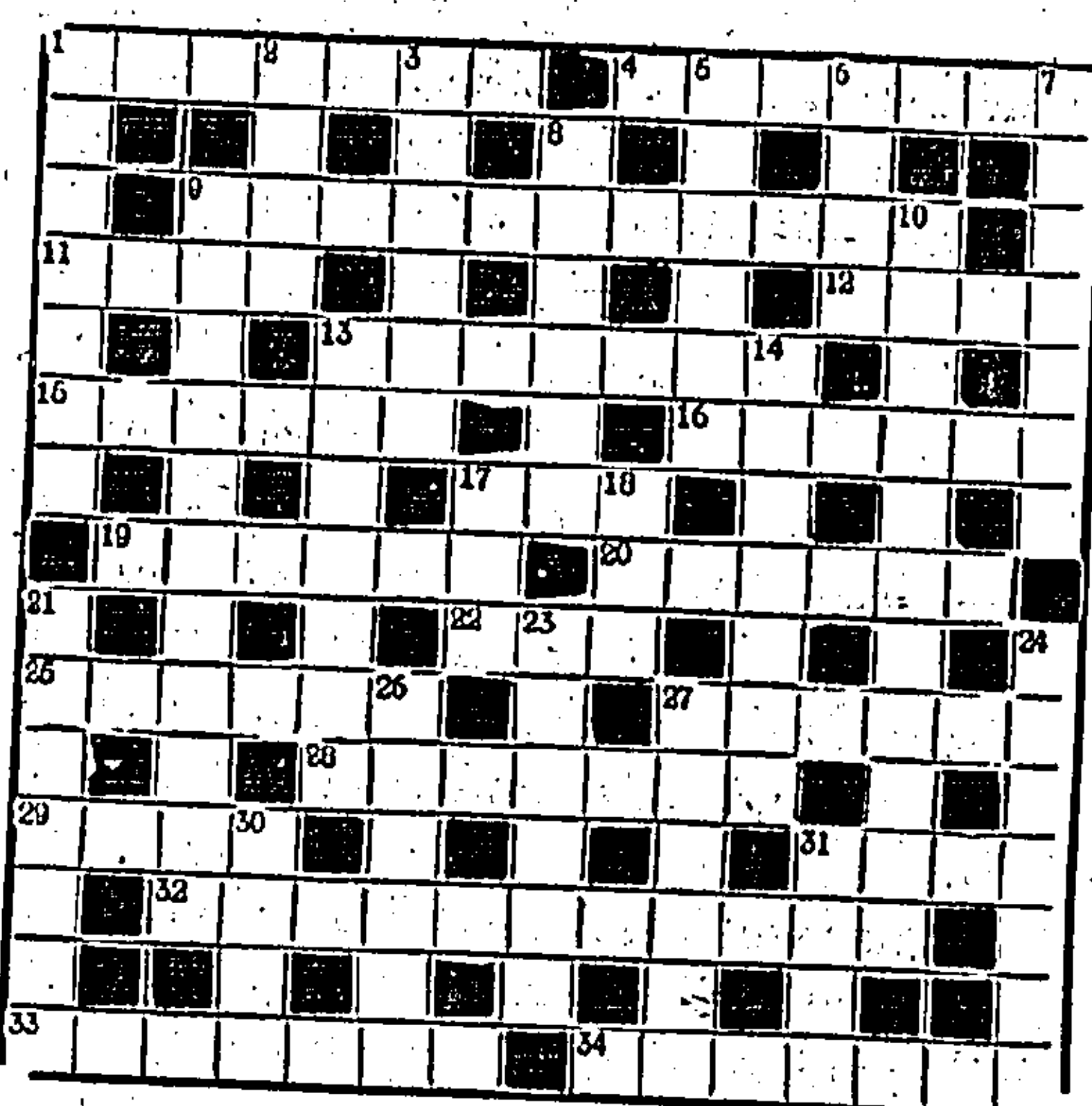
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4 and 7).
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- 12 Give the wrong way.
- 13 This ancient chieftain sounds as
if he were always looking for
something (two words, 3
and 4).
- 15 The dictator might give rise to
a scene in Rome.
- 16 Found in wood and van.
- 17 The tail of a cart.
- 19 Dumb show.
- 20 Book of the Bible.
- 22 Beam.
- 25 Clear out once.
- 27 Vulgarly refined.
- 28 Shrug, for instance.
- 29 Not one of the chosen race.
- 31 Not all there here.
- 32 Where farmers are sure of a
good crop.
- 33 Figure, not of speech.
- 34 Intended for fags, and not gen-
erally made of wood (two
words, 3 and 4).

DOWN

- 1 Hard lines (two words, 3 and
4).
- 2 Remain in good condition.
- 3 See clue to 22 Across.
- 5 Stagnation.
- 6 An Eastern servant.
- 7 Bob if not as an Oriental might
describe England.
- 8 A magistrate with some hesita-
tion offers a drinking cup.

- 9 Prevents discharge in "chatty
cafes (hyphen, 6 and 5).
- 10 It is usually Venus, though it
might be a string even (hyphen,
7 and 4).
- 13 Made a song about a twisted lip
in a tree.
- 14 Mourn with either half turned
round inside.
- 17 A form of 22 Across.
- 18 You may succeed if you have a
good one.
- 21 Over-indulges tastes not plains.
- 23 Men of parts.
- 24 Bewilder.
- 25 Fear it's mistake mostly.
- 27 Turning-points.
- 30 In direct action.
- 31 Quite a surface impression.

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The next meeting of the Hong-
kong Aquarium Society will be held
on Wednesday, April 8, at 8.30 p.m.
in the Laboratory of the Biology
Dept. of the Hongkong University.

Talks will be given on "Preparing a
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PLANS FOR THE CORONATION

"KING ANTHONY" FINDS A CAPITAL

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He is to make it his "capital," and has brought with him a comprehensive plan of money reform. Citizens of Hereford have been astonished by his gifts of "Restoration Bonus Notes."

These notes, the size of a ten-shilling note, and printed on pale green paper, are "one dollar (8s.) in value," and are headed "Royal Mint, Hereford," and signed "The Master of the Mint, Anthony."

When he is King, he says he will:

Introduce the new type of money reform; establish the Royal Palace at Hereford; cancel all war debts; abolish death duties, and issue enough money to employers to provide all the workless with employment. "King Anthony" has not proceeded with his "free beer" campaign, which was a strong point at his meetings three years ago.

TEACHER OUSTED: KIDS STRIKE



William G. Paden, whose removal as city school superintendent caused a protest in Alameda, Calif., schools that resulted in strike, picketing and a boycott.

Final Choice Of Date Now Rests With Dominions

EIGHT dates in June 1937 have been suggested to the Dominions Governments for the Coronation of King Edward the Eighth.

As soon as the date suitable to the Dominions is known, probably in a few days' time, the Government, which has already made skeleton plans for the Coronation, is to appoint a Coronation committee.

When finally settled, the date will be announced by the Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal of England.

The Coronation of King Edward is likely to differ in several respects from that of his father and his grandfather.

The ceremony may be cut by one and a half hours to only two hours.

It is possible that the oath, administered in the form of a question to the King by the Archbishop of Canterbury at the Coronation ceremony, will have to be changed slightly to conform with the altered status of the Dominions and their relation to the King since the Statute of Westminster (1931).

King Edward is the Sovereign

not only of all his Dominions, but of each one separately. The Irish Free State has been born since the last Coronation.

The form of question to which King George V. answered, "I solemnly promise so to do," was this:

"Will you solemnly promise and swear to Govern the people of this United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Dominions thereto belonging, according to the Statutes in Parliament agreed on, and the respective Laws and Customs of the same?"

The chosen day is likely to be a Monday or Thursday. The success of Jubilee Day, a Monday, makes it probable that a Monday will be chosen for Coronation Day.

150 INDIAN PRINCES It allows municipal, police, traffic, and transport authorities, as well as the catering trades, one day's respite to make their arrangements.

King Edward's Coronation will be the most fully attended in history. Transport developments of the last twenty-five years have brought the faraway parts of the Empire so much nearer.

It is known that 150 Indian princes, nawabs, and rajahs have already announced their intention of attending.

Dominion and Colonial officers will bear part of the Royal Regalia.

Dominion and Indian troops will be among the contingents escorting King Edward in the Georgian gold state coach.

Before the Coronation there will be a state banquet at the Palace in honour of overseas guests.

£10 GIRL—SLAVES

SCOTS-WOMAN TO RESCUE

Singapore Apr. 1. JAVANESE girls were being regularly sold into slavery here for £10 each until, thanks largely to efforts made by the Sultan of Johore and his Scottish consort, the police put an end to the activities of the slave-traders.

The gang used an ingenious system of forged passports and documents, purporting to have been signed by village headmen.

Girls were bought from their parents and guardians and resold to purchasers here.

They were then used to perform menial tasks in the home, and sometimes were forced to enter brothels.

In one case the police became suspicious when five Javanese women arrived here. They were able to rescue three of them just as their purchaser was leading them away.

The other two girls have disappeared, but the police believe they have now definitely broken up the gang.

In a letter to a Singapore newspaper the Sultan of Johore says this traffic has been going on for many years, but it has been impossible to secure sufficient evidence to prosecute the offenders.

"Not only Javanese, but Indian and Chinese girls have been the victims of the trade," he adds.

The Poet Laureate Is Unhappy

ODES TO ORDER

London, Mar. 26. England's poet laureate, John Masefield, is threatening to rise in open revolt and refuse to write a poem for the coronation of King Edward the Eighth.

The onetime sailor who was named poet laureate by the late King George returned from the United States recently and announced tersely that "odes to order" are not in his line.

Unless he finds an unexpected inspiration he won't write any poem celebrating the crowning of the new monarch more than a year hence. The British press had announced that he was rushing home to start work on the ode to King Edward.

"I don't think any poet should constantly be called upon to write on specific subjects," he said. "In the eighteenth century laureates were expected to write a poem every time the King had a birthday. He then had to read his poem in the presence of all the Maids of Honour."

"After some years the Maids of Honour humbly begged to be excused from the privilege. I am not surprised."

"The office of poet laureate is responsible for much of the world's worst literature. Were it not for the laureates, the anthologists of bad verse would be hard put to fill their volumes."

Scouts Meet In 1937

Amsterdam, Mar. 25. A camp site of 450 acres accommodating 30,000 youths has been selected near the village of Vogelzang for the World Boy Scout Jamboree in the summer of 1937.

The village of Vogelzang is only a short distance from Haarlem at the north of Holland, close to both the English channel and the Zuider Zee.

The camp itself is located against large sand dunes that protect Holland from the North Sea. The surrounding country is typical of the quaint Dutch landscape with dunes, woods and sea on one side and the flat country of Holland on the other.

The Jamboree will be held from August 1 to August 10, 1937.—United Press.

An Ethiopian Diary

ABYSSINIAN LANGUAGE IS FULL OF PITFALLS

By H. R. Ekins

United Press Staff Correspondent (Copyright 1936 by United Press)

Here is a short lesson on the language of the Ethiopians. Webbe means river or river valley and is not a place. It is an important word in this war because so much of the fighting is for the precious water holes.

Moussa is another word tossed around loosely at home. It means mountain—not part of Moslem ritual. Italian columns have moved to the base of Moussa Ali where they are building an airfield for flights over the desolate Danakil desert.

Learning about the language taught us that Naga means tomorrow and that Ishl means okay. Already the correspondents are fed up with Ishl naga—Okay to-morrow just won't do for working newspapermen who have deadlines in some part of the world every minute.

Yelom, said emphatically and sharply means no. Owe, pronounced like how with the "H" dropped means yes.

We got into more of the language in attempting to get titles straight. Negus means King. Hence Emperor Haile Selassie is the Negus Negusti—the King of Kings.

Lesser kings over whom he holds sway used to be called Negus but in these days the more favoured title for such men is Ras or chief of first rank.

A high ranking title is that of Daljazmach, meaning commander of the centre or the military arm of government.

Men called Grazmach head the civil branches of government while judicial authority rests in the Kendezmach.

Next in rank and authority to these greater personages are the Fitourari. They are the chiefs with private, feudal armies numbering about 2,000 men each. There are between 400 and 500 Fitourari in the country.

Attu is a convenient title. It means the honourable. Etiquette calls for its application to men of standing but not of particularly high authority. Government secretaries, men of property, customs agents and so on are addressed as Attu by foreigners of tact.

The word for foreigners, incidentally, is ferangli. Of itself it really means stranger, but since the Ethiopians have learned to distrust most white men as people seeking to exploit them

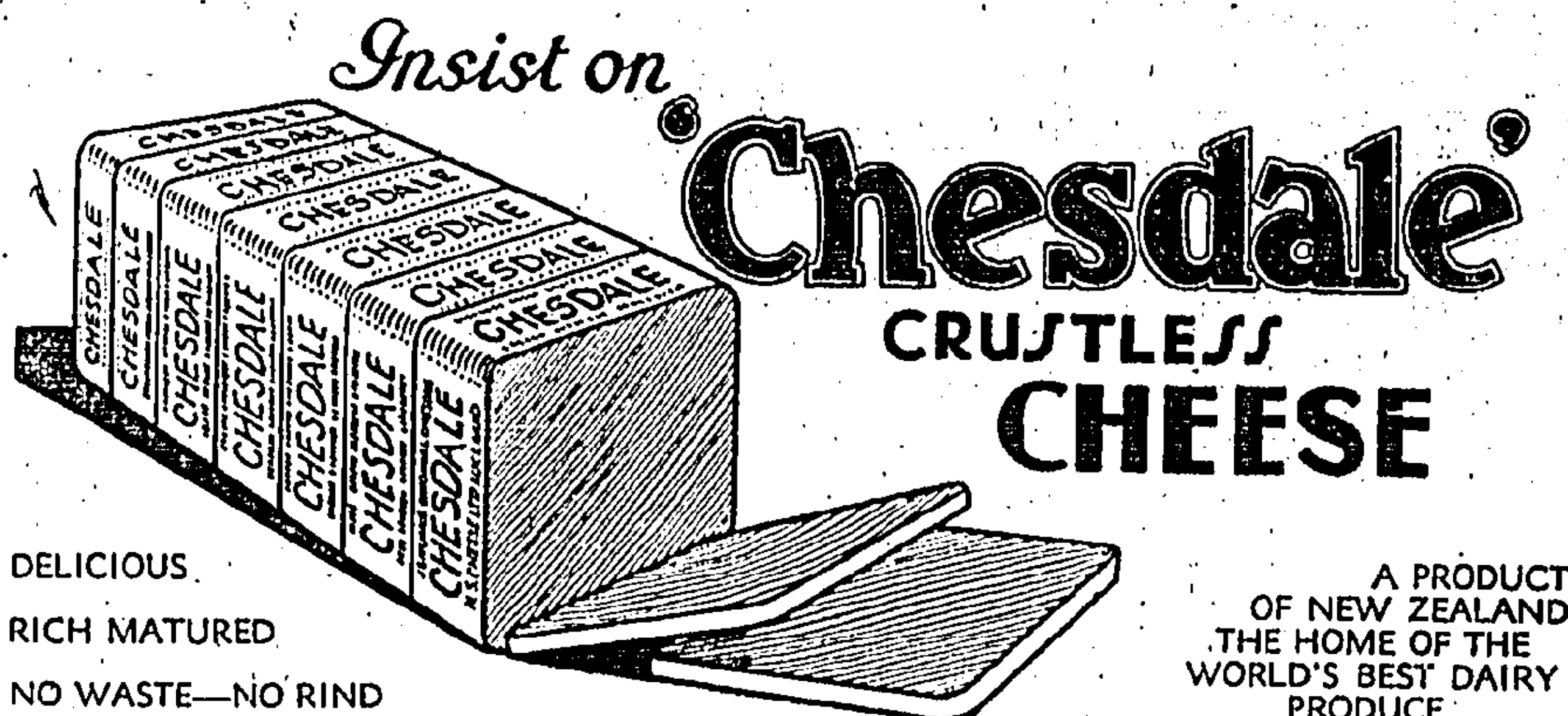
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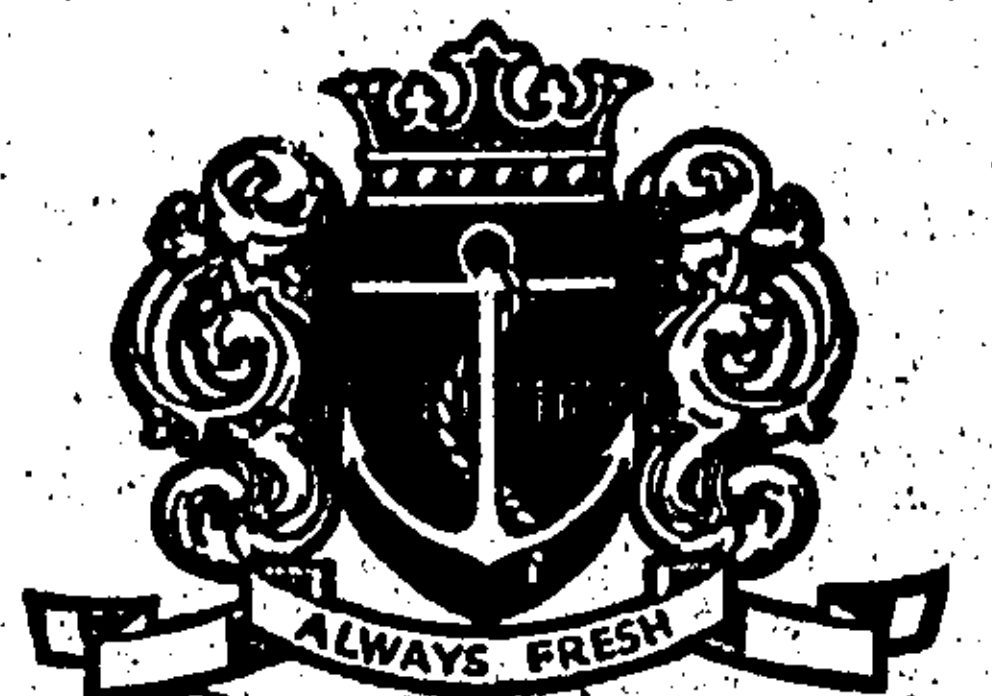
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THE MAHARANEE OF BASTAR

beautiful twenty-eight-year-old ruler of an Indian State, who died after an operation for appendicitis, was cremated at Golders Green, N.W., last month. The coffin was carried by four Brahmans—high caste Hindus.

Her husband, a thirty-year-old Cambridge graduate, remained with the coffin all night, praying and fasting.

At the cremation he placed his wife's jewels in the coffin and directed that they should be burned. They were valued at several thousand pounds.

The ashes will be taken back to India by the maharajah in an airplane and scattered on the banks of the Ganges.

The maharajah was the absolute ruler of Bastar, the largest feudatory state of the Central Provinces, with a population of nearly half a million.

The palace is at Jagdalpur, the capital. Her seven-year-old son now becomes ruler, but the State will be governed by British officials during his minority.

NOTED BEAUTY HELD AS "BLUE SHIRT"

Tientsin, Mar. 28. A famous Chinese beauty, Miss Wang Mei-yu, "Beautiful Jade," has been arrested by the Japanese gendarmes in Tientsin as a member of the Blue Shirts, the dreaded secret organisation maintained by a faction of the Kuomintang.

She was nabbed by the gendarmes as she left the Paris Cabaret in the Japanese Concession where she had gone despite warnings of friends who had been "tipped" that she was wanted by the Japanese although they did not know why.

On the same day, Miss Liu Ching-ho, "Clear Brook," former sing-song girl and now concubine to a high railway official, was apprehended and held for questioning in the same connection.—United Press.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET UPWARD YESTERDAY

New York, April 2.
Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Dow Jones Summary of yesterday's market.—Stocks, bonds, commodities, except grains, and the Dollar advanced on the easier situation in Europe and on the continued expansion of the domestic business. Buyers to-day forced the industrial average to a high level since 1931. Automobile and steel stocks led in the early upturn. Mercantile, copper, oil, airplane, electric equipment and rubber securities advanced, but farm-implement issues eased late in the session. Steel shares were subjected to moderate profit-taking sales late in the session. In the market for bonds, domestic corporation issues were strong. Stocks on the Curb Exchange were higher.

Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Wall Street Journal comment on 1/4 market:—"Cane-sugar refiners during the first quarter showed markedly improved earnings and were above those of the corresponding period of last year. Brokers are bullish on stocks in retail trade. Followers of the Dow-Jones theory say that whether or not the market is embarking on another broadening of the primary bull market will depend upon the ability of railroad issues to push decisively through the late February level of 51.27. Financial circles consider Herr Hitler's proposals simply as a postponement of war threats. A few chart compilers report that their formations indicate a substantial reaction is in the offing. Some traders are buying Chrysler stock on the belief that it is out of line with General Motors issues."

S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: Securities continued to be in good demand and the market closed generally higher. The Simmons Company estimates its first quarter earnings at \$500,000, against a loss during the corresponding quarter of last year. This concedes the possibility of a moderate dividend

U. S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters.

New York Cotton	
May	11.17 11.29/20
July	10.81 10.94/04
October	10.21 10.29/29
December	10.10 10.28/28
January	10.22 10.32/32
March	10.28 10.38/38
Spot	11.66 11.69

New York Rubber	
May	15.98 16.09/00
July	15.07 16.08/08
September	15.10 16.15/17
December	15.27 16.26/31
March	15.35 16.42
Total sales—62 lots.	

Chicago Wheat	
May	96 1/2 94 3/4/94 3/4
July	85 1/2 83 3/4/83 3/4
September	84 1/2 82 1/2/82 1/2
Wednesday's sales: 22,120,000 bushels.	

Chicago Corn	
May	60 1/2 60 1/4/60 1/4
July	60 1/2 60 1/4/60 1/4

Winnipeg Wheat	
May	81 1/2 80/80
July	82 1/2 81/81
October	83 1/2 81 1/4/81 1/4

In the next Autumn. The President of the United States Steel Corporation forecasts a seasonally good second-quarter. The current operations are at 60 per cent. of capacity and there are prospects of production holding at that level.

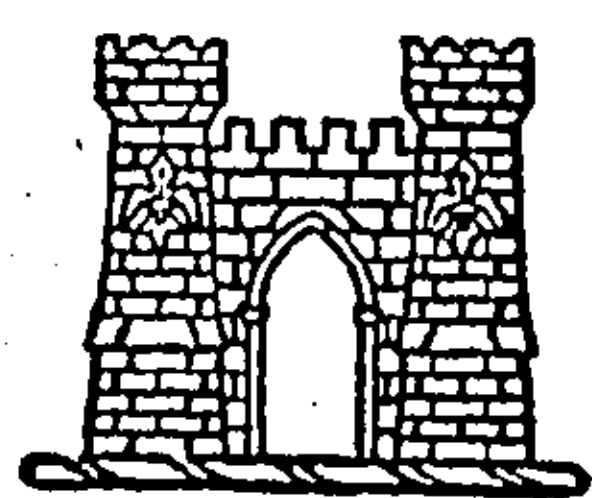
Cotton. Prices to-day advanced on a more favourable construction of the latest marketing plan in connection with the Government's stocks of cotton. The weather continues dry in Texas and Oklahoma, which further aided the market.

Wheat: The market was lower on scattered precipitation in the South-West and on the weakness of foreign markets on liquidation. Donovan & Company estimate the winter crop of wheat at 530,000,000 bushels, whilst Snow & Company estimate the crop at 520,000,000 bushels.

Rubber: The market was quiet. Manufacturers are not following advances at the moment.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages:	
30 Industrials	159.93 160.43
20 Rails	47.70 49.04
20 Utilities	32.44 33.54
40 Bonds	101.85 102.04
11 Commodity Index	56.88 56.50



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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 15th April to the 6th May inclusive.

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The running commentary on the Boat Race will be broadcast from 7.45 p.m. Members are therefore requested to arrive at 7.45 p.m. prompt, and not at 8 p.m. as previously announced.

Q. A. A. MACFADYEN,
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The Thirty-first Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dowdell & Co. Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Wednesday, 8th April, 1936, at noon for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1935.

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Extracts From The "Telegraph" Files

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The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 9.11/16d.

The death occurred in Shanghai of Mr. W. V. Drummond, well-known barrister, formerly of Hongkong.

The Jockey Club announced that it had acquired the business of the Kennedy Horse Repository, and that Mr. E. F. Scull had been appointed manager.

The Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., declared a dividend of fifty cents per share.

It was notified that Mr. A. V. Hogg and Mr. J. H. Brister had been authorised to sign for Messrs. Reiss and Co.

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

To-morrow's Picture Features

Numerous pictures of topical interest will appear in to-morrow's issue of the "Telegraph Pictorial Supplement. Weddings illustrated will be those of Captain E. Palmer and Miss A. G. Fischer, Mr. A. Marshall and Miss S. F. Mitchell, Mr. Li Fook-shu and Miss Daisy Woo.

There will be several pictures of the King's College sports and the Central British School gymnastic display, as well as others of the Girl Guides' rally. One of the tableaux of the Canadian Institute jubilee celebrations will be pictured and there will also be a group of members of the Y.W.C.A. Division of the St. John Ambulance.

The popular entertainment and feature pages will be included in the Supplement, with results of last week's Children's Competition and details of a new contest.

A.D.C.'S NEXT PLAY

"LOVERS' LEAP" TO BE PRODUCED

By way of a complete contrast to their last production, "Musical Chairs," the Amateur Dramatic Club are offering Hongkong theatre-goers a comedy which, for sheer humour, might almost be described as a farce. "Lovers' Leap," by Philip Johnson, is included in the volume "Farces and Plays of 1934-1935" having been first produced in Liverpool in June 1934, and subsequently in London in October of that year, when it enjoyed a deservedly successful run. The cleverness of the play lies not so much in its theme as in the wit and sparkle of its dialogue, and in its excellent acting qualities; qualities of which our local amateurs promise to take full advantage.

The play will be presented at the China Fleet Club Theatre on the nights of April 16, 17 and 18, at 8.15 p.m.

The cast includes Helen Prior, Myrtle Brown, Jane Weller, Donald MacAllister, and E. G. Smith-Wright, who is producing the play. "Lovers' Leap" does not pretend to be a serious play. It presents no problem and it does not even set out to be entirely credible. It has how-

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T.T. Singapore	1/8 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	107
T.T. Japan	110 1/2
T.T. India	85 1/2
T.T. Pisco & New York	32
T.T. Java	48 1/2
T.T. Manila	48 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	143 1/2
T.T. Saigon	48 1/2
T.T. Lisbon	68 1/2
Buying	
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4 m/s. D/P	1/4 1/4
0 m/s. L/C	1/4 1/4
4 m/s. San Francisco & New York	33 1/2
4 m/s. France	5.13 1/2
New York—London	4.05 1/2

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INWARD MAILS

Hainan	G. G. Paul Doumer	April 3.
Hawaii	Maru	April 3.
Australia and Manila	Nelore	April 3.
Penang	Maru	April 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Ranchi	April 3.
Saloon	Marchal Joffre	April 4.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. McKinley	April 4.
(Seattle, 14th March)	Tsinan	April 4.
Shanghai and Amoy	Yochow	April 4.
Shanghai and Swatow	Genoa Maru	April 5.
Japan	Menelaus	April 6.
Straits and Air Mail ex "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam, 25th March)	Nako Maru	April 6.
Japan	Pros. Lincoln	April 6.
Manila	Toba Maru	April 6.
Japan	Bokuyo Maru	April 7.
Straits	Cremey	April 7.
Shanghai	Hector	April 7.
Japan	Kiddorpo	April 7.
Shanghai	Menestheus	April 7.
Manila	Potsdam	April 7.
Hainan	Lima Maru	April 8.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Canton	April 9.
(Vancouver B.C., 21st March)	Emp. of Russia	April 9.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 20th March)	Pres. Hoover	April 9.
Amoy	Sirdhana	April 9.
Shanghai	Andre Lebon	April 10.
Straits	Dakar Maru	April 10.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Holhow, Pakhoi and Hainan	Kwangyuan	Fri., Apr. 3, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and S. Africa	Hawaii Maru	Fri., Apr. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining	Fri., Apr. 3, 3 p.m.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"	Ranchi	Saturday, April 4.
Due Amsterdam, 13th April		
K. P. O.	G. P. O.	
Reg., April 4, 8.30 a.m.	Reg., April 4, 9.00 a.m.	
Letters, April 4, 9.00 a.m.	Letters, April 4, 9.30 a.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and S. Africa	Letters, April 4, 9.30 a.m.	
(Due Marseilles, 1st May)		
K. P. O.	G. P. O.	
Parcels, April 3, 4.30 p.m.	Parcels, April 3, 5 p.m.	
Reg., April 4, 9 a.m.	Reg., April 4, 9.45 a.m.	
Letters, April 4, 10 a.m.	Letters, April 4, 10.30 a.m.	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Fukuen Maru	Sat., April 4, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy	Kwangtung	Sat., April 4, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Marseilles	Marchal Joffre	Sat., April 4, 3.30 p.m.

Sunday.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Canton Maru Sun., April 5, 9 a.m.

Manila Pres. McKinley Sun., April 5, 9 a.m.

Monday

Fort Bayard, Holhow, Pakhoi G. G. Paul Doumer Mon., Apr. 6, 1 p.m.

Tuesday

Batavia Tjondardi Tues., Apr. 7, 9.30 a.m.

Bangkok via Swatow Tues., Apr. 7, 1.30 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A. President Lincoln Tues., Apr. 7.

Central and South America, Canada, and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia (Due San Francisco, 28th April)

Reg., April 7, 3 p.m.

Letters, April 7, 4.15 p.m.

(Due San Francisco, 30th April.)

Wednesday

Straits, Ceylon, India, East and Hector Wed., Apr. 8.

*South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

(Due Marseilles, 7th May)

K. P. O.

Reg., April 7, 4.00 p.m.

Letters, April 8, 9 a.m.

Reg., April 8, 8.45 a.m.

Letters, April 8, 9.30 a.m.

Foochow via Swatow Cheikong Wed., Apr. 8, 10.30 a.m.

Amoy Tsinan Wed., Apr. 8, 10.30 a.m.

Straits and Calcutta Kumsang Wed., Apr. 8.

Parcels, April 8, 12.30 p.m.

Letters, April 8, 1.30 p.m.

Thursday

Manila Emp. of Russia Thurs., Apr. 9, 3.30 p.m.

Friday

Sandakan, Ceylon, India, East and Hector Fri., Apr. 10, 9.30 a.m.

Saloon, Ceylon, India, East and Hector Fri., Apr. 10.

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GERMAN FORMULA DENOUNCED

(Continued from Page 1.)

and will relate only to the immediate situation, pending negotiations. Meanwhile, Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, has received the French and Belgian Ambassadors at the Foreign Office, and has handed them a letter guaranteeing French and Belgian security against aggression if conciliation in the Rhineland crisis fails.

The British Minister gave the Ambassadors another letter which is understood to refer to the political limits within which the scope of the General Staff conversations must be confined.

It is pointed out that the reciprocal obligations provided by the first letter only operate after the three Governments have decided that conciliation has failed.

Eden Meets Von Ribbentrop

Mr. Eden had a ninety minute talk with Herr von Ribbentrop, the German envoy, this morning. The conversation largely dealt with Great Britain's status in the proposed security pact. Germany is anxious to know whether Britain will act as a guarantor, as suggested by the German memorandum, or as a participant in mutual assistance pacts, as suggested by the British White Paper.

It is understood Mr. Eden explained the position of the British Government with respect to the German objection to General Staff talks between France, Belgium, and Britain. He showed that an arrangement provided for in the military talks would only operate in the event of a German attack upon France or Belgium, and as Germany had excluded such a contingency, the objection fell to the ground.

Mr. Eden also told the German envoy that a British letter guaranteeing the security of France against unprovoked aggression in the event of conciliation failing, was being delivered to the French Ambassador, M. Charles Corbin, this afternoon. —*Reuter.*

GERMAN VARIETY SHOW

CENTRAL THEATRE ATTRACTION

A novel light-visual act in a thousand colours, featuring Lydia Halter, is the main feature of the programme to be presented by the German Variety Show appearing at the Central Theatre to-morrow for a short season in conjunction with the screening of the Universal film, "Dangerous Waters".

The show comprises G. Halter, famous trick and comedy cyclist, Lydia Halter and Little Mary, "the girl without bones" who will present attractive acrobatic dances. G. Halter will perform on both a bicycle and a mono-cycle.

The show has performed in leading theatres in Europe, Egypt, India, Singapore and Manila. It arrived from the last-named place a few days ago.

HOPE FOR END OF TENSION

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must bear the responsibility in such an event.—*United Press.*

POISON GAS USED

A Tokyo report from Hsinking, alleging that Outer Manchukuo used poison-gas bombs in the Manchukuo frontier clash on Tuesday, is categorically denied here.

A message from Ulan Bator states that the report is without foundation. It is suggested here that the report may be intended to justify the use of poison-gas by the Japanese and Manchukuo forces in the next raid. —*Reuter.*

INDIA'S NEW VICEROY

LEAVES ENGLAND FOR POST

London, Apr. 2.
The Marquis of Linlithgow, new Viceroy of India, accompanied by the Marchioness and three daughters, together with his staff, departed for India to-day to begin his duties. Farewells were said at the railway station by a representative of the King and a number of notabilities. —*Reuter Special.*

BASEBALL OFFICIALS INJURED

National League Umpire Seriously Hurt

Atlanta, Ga., Apr. 2.
Automobile accidents sent three prominent baseball men to the Georgia Hospital to-day. They were Branch Rickey, vice-president of the St. Louis Cardinals, William de Witt, treasurer of the Cardinals, and George Parker, National League umpire.

Parker, with a broken left leg, a fractured collar bone, and possible internal injuries, was most seriously hurt.

Rickey was said to be in a serious, but not critical condition. Dr. Witt suffered only minor injuries. —*United Press.*

MRS. WHITNEY'S SUCCESS

Horso Wins Big Race At Bowie

Bowie, Apr. 2.
Mrs. John Hay Whitney's Singing Wood to-day raced to an easy victory in the \$2,500 added Bowie Inauguration Handicap, featured attraction on the Southern Maryland Agricultural Association's opening day meeting. The ten-day season, officially introduced thoroughbred racing in the east. —*United Press.*

ARMY XI VERSUS VOLUNTEERS

Football Match On Good Friday

The following team has been selected to represent the Army versus Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps to be played on the Hongkong Football Club ground at Happy Valley on Good Friday, April 10, kick off at 3.30 p.m.

Fus. Rowlands, R.V.F.; L/Cpl. Swain, E. Lan. R. (Captain), and L/Cpl. Steele, E. Lan. R.; L/Cpl. Campbell, R.U.R., and Cpl. Ball, E. Lan. R.; Fus. Conkley, R.V.F.; Pte. Dunford, E. Lan. R.; Fus. Evans, R.V.F.; Pte. Talbot, R.V.F.; and Pte. Riddings, E. Lan. R.
Reserves:—L/Cpl. Lawton, E. Lan. R. and Bdn. Cox, E. Lan. R.

ROAD SAFETY

ALL ACCIDENTS TO BE PROBED

London, Apr. 2.
As from yesterday, the Ministry of Transport is receiving detailed police reports on the circumstances and causes of every road accident involving personal injury, whether fatal or otherwise.

The enumeration and analysis of the information thus obtained will, it is hoped, yield valuable results in the determination of the main factors of road safety. Beginning next week, the weekly accident statistics compiled by the Ministry of Transport will be issued in the amended form. —*British Wireless.*

EXCHANGE RATES

	Apr. 1	Apr. 2
Paris	75.7/64	75.9/64
Geneva	15.20	15.20 1/2
Berlin	12.30	12.32
Milan	62.9/16	62.9/16
Athens	52 1/2	52 1/2
Shanghai	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
New York	1.05 13/16	1.05 11/16
Amsterdam	7.29	7.29 1/2
Vienna	20 1/2	20 1/2
Prague	119 1/2	119 1/2
Bucharest	670	670
Madrid	30 1/4	30 1/4
Lisbon	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hankow	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
Bombay	1/6 1/4	1/6 1/4
Brussels	29.26	29.27 1/2
Monte Video	39.7/10	39.7/10
Belgrade	217	218
Montreal	4.98 1/4	4.97 1/2
Yokohama	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
Rio	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
Silver (Spot)	10.15/16	10.15/16
Silver (Forward)	10.15/16	10.15/16
War Loan	107 1/2	107.3/16

—*British Wireless.*

L.T.A. ANNUAL REPORT

MEETING NEXT WEEK

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U.S.R.C. The singles title was won by Mrs. Wilson who after losing the first set, made a brilliant recovery in the final set with the score 6/2 and 3/0 love against her. Miss R. Hancock was the runner-up.

The doubles was won by Mrs. Wilson and Miss R. Hancock who beat Mrs. Kayll and Mrs. Dowling in the final.

The Mixed Doubles was a very popular event run very efficiently by the Chinese Recreation Club. It was again won by Miss R. Hancock and L. Goldman who beat the same pair as last year, viz., Mrs. Chui Chun-chui and H. D. Runjahn in the final. The Association takes this opportunity of thanking the H.K.C.C., C.R.C., K.C.C. and other Clubs for kindly giving their courts for the use of exhibition matches and championships.

FINANCES

Finance.—The result of the year's working shows a net loss of \$57.66.

Exhibitions netted a profit of \$110.00.

The League showed a profit on working of \$221.72, and this together with \$50.00 from advertisements in the Handbook, total \$271.72. In this connection we have to again express our thanks to Advertisers for their support in these difficult times.

Your Executive Committee decided that assistance should be given to certain members of the Interport Teams to Shanghai, and this allowance together with entertainment of our Canton visitors (from which Interport Series no gate was collected) accounts for the sum of \$55.78 shown.

Our surplus funds now stand at a figure of \$1,382.41, which is considered satisfactory.

The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews.

TENNIS LEAGUE

Tennis League.—Forty-three teams took part as compared with thirty-seven in 1934. This additional support was a good sign and it is hoped that at least the same number of teams will compete this season. Team representatives are to be congratulated on the keenness they showed in getting all their fixtures played off.

"A" Division.—The Chinese Recreation Club entered two teams as compared with three in 1934; the South China Athletic Association dropped out and the Club de Recreo entered an additional team. The Chinese Recreation Club once more secured the championship, winning all their matches, and have thus won it for four years running. The Club de Recreo were runners-up.

"B" Division.—The Hongkong University Graduates Association did not re-enter, and the Civil Service Cricket Club and Central British Association, who competed in the "C" Division in 1934, entered teams. The championship, which had been held by Chinese Recreation Club since 1923, was won for the first time by South China Athletic Association, who were undefeated during the season. The Chinese Recreation Club, were, however, runners-up.

"C" Division.—Chinese Recreation Club retained the championship from South China Athletic Association, winning all their matches. The Club de Recreo were runners-up. "D" Division.—Chinese Recreation Club won the championship of this new division without losing a match, and Radio Sports Club gained the second place.

Mixed Doubles Division.—Ladies Recreation Club, much to the regret of the Association, did not compete. Kowloon Cricket Club entered an additional team. The championship was wrested from the United Services Recreation Club by Chinese Recreation Club, who won all their fixtures.

DAVIS CUP TEAM

WILMER ALLISON APPOINTED TO CAPTAIN U.S. PLAYERS

New York, April 1.
The Lawn Tennis Association announced to-day that Wilmer Allison has been appointed captain of the U.S. Davis Cup team. His appointment is due to the illness of Walter Pate, of New York, who was previously named as non-playing captain. —*United Press.*

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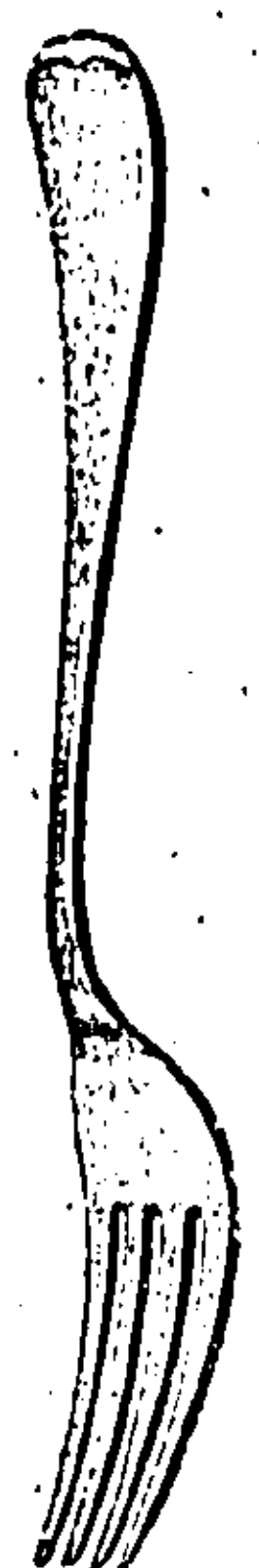
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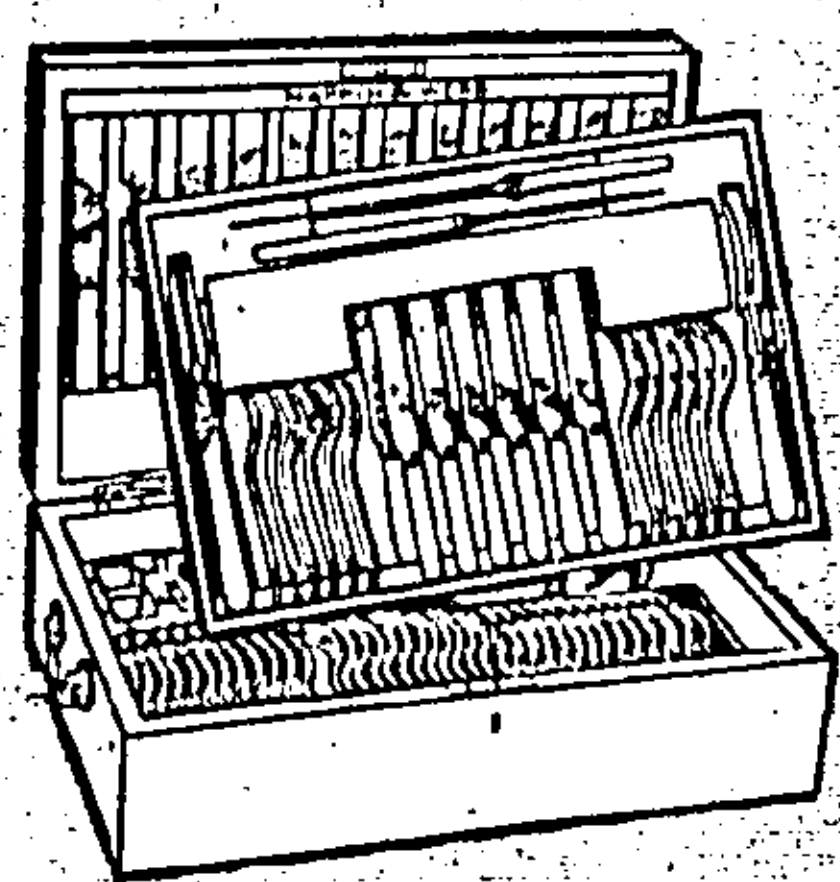
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GERMANY'S TERMS

So complicated and hedged about with reservations as they are, the German proposals for the pacification of Europe demand the closest scrutiny before it can be determined whether they are likely to be productive of concrete results. It is, however, clear, both from the tone of the memorandum and from certain constructive proposals advanced, that there are elements in the document which, if explored to the full, might well form a basis for further deliberations. Doubtless the next step will be to seek elucidation of various points raised, in which connection it is fore-shadowed that Britain will most likely proceed along these lines. Much of the German reply is taken up with a defence of the re-occupation of the Rhineland and the denunciation of the Locarno Pact. In these respects, the Note adds nothing to the already known attitude of the German Government. So far as the making of a definite gesture at this stage is concerned, all that Germany is prepared to do is to refrain from increasing her military strength in the Rhineland and from moving her troops nearer to the frontier, provided France and Belgium are willing to act similarly. This, in effect, means that Germany takes the stand that the *fait accompli* with which she dramatically faced her neighbours recently cannot be modified in any way. Regarding the denunciation of the Locarno Pact, it is stated that Germany would have been prepared to respect its provisions if the other signatories had done so, but the point that it has not yet been determined by anybody, except Germany, that the Franco-Soviet Treaty is an infringement of that Pact is completely ignored. It is true that the League has decided that Germany is guilty of a breach of treaty, but that, it is worth noting, was not the point suggested for reference to the Hague Court, which was whether or not the Franco-Soviet agreement justified German denunciation of the Locarno understanding. Although no mention is made of Russia in the Note, it remains clear that Germany is still determined to leave the Soviet out of any discussions or agreements envisaged—a course which makes it difficult to see how any lasting European accord can be expected. Loss of confidence

COLONY HUNT: 1936

By Lionel Birch

Economic Intelligence Officer, League of Nations Union



Italy leaves land uncultivated in Sardinia while she fights in Abyssinia

A CASUAL paragraph in one of the evening papers last week informed people in England that Poland finds she cannot possibly do without a colony. First Italy, Japan and Germany, and now Poland. One begins to wonder where, and more particularly how, this process will stop.

It is possible to point out, of course, that a colony wouldn't

help Italy, or Germany, or any emphasis in 1926, when, after returning from a visit to North Africa, he remarked:

"We are hungry for land because we are prolific and intend to remain so." The colonial problem is highly complex. It has many ingredients—the desire for control over (as opposed to the desire for access to) the sources of raw materials, the desire to obtain assured foreign markets, the feeling or the fact of being overcrowded, the craving for prestige.

Of all these, the feeling or the fact of being overcrowded is liable to provide the most effective pretext for another war. "We must fight or starve!" The idea is splendidly suited to the perorations of the big chieftains. What truth is there in it?

Are Germany and Italy, in fact, over-populated? It is easy to see that they have done their best to become so. Mussolini has deliberately restricted emigration, instituted bachelor taxes, offered all sorts of positive inducements to potential parents, instigated a vehement journalistic campaign against birth control.

Italy, for instance, obtains hardly any raw materials from colonial territories controlled by one of the great Colonial Empires. Italy's raw materials are obtained chiefly from other Sovereign States.

True, these cold facts do not prevent Italy from continuing to demand colonial territory as "an economic necessity." But perhaps, by this, Italy means that she must have an outlet for her surplus population?

Signor Mussolini put this point of view with his custom-

ONE recalls the reported words of Mussolini to the French Ambassador last autumn: "If you brought me Abyssinia on a silver plate I would not accept it; for I am resolved to take it by force."

While land is lying uncultivated not only in Sardinia but also in Italy itself, we can hardly say that Italy is over-populated. No doubt after much coaching, the Italians have come to feel over-populated. And it is important to distinguish between a real and an imaginary over-population problem; not because the imaginary problem is likely to provide a less potent incitement to fight, but because the two problems demand a different kind of solution.

Even assuming that Italy were really over-populated, she could not ease her troubles by conquering Ethiopia.

The same sort of thing is true of Germany. Some Germans demand the return of the ex-German colonies, because Germany must have an outlet for her surplus population, ignoring the fact that the number of Germans accommodated in 1913 by the German colonies was about 18,000.

Nevertheless, the matter cannot be left where it is.

The spectacle of, for instance, Britain saying to Italy or Germany: "Anyone who likes is at liberty to go and get raw materials from our colonies," and leaving it at that, is not unlike the spectacle of a wealthy industrialist saying to a bankrupt competitor: "Any one is at liberty to walk into the Ritz Hotel and order a dinner there." Very likely they have some money with which to pay the bill.

GERMANY and Italy have no money to pay the bill. They are quite at liberty to walk up to the British Empire and order as much rubber or tin as they like. But they cannot pay for it. They have equal opportunity of purchase; but they have not equal ability to purchase.

The reason is precisely because there is not an equal right for Germany and Italy to sell; firstly, to the "particular" colonies or countries from which it desires to import, and, secondly, to other countries, by means of which it could discharge its indebtedness. In a tariff-ridden world, equality of access to raw materials is a barren privilege.

It is as though we were saying about the dissatisfied nations: "We are perfectly willing to allow other countries to have our raw materials, provided that they can pay for them. But they cannot pay for them."

If the countries of the world were to abolish their preferential, and lower their protective, tariffs, the whole economic basis of the dissatisfied countries' complaint would be removed. On the other hand, it may be doubted whether these countries would be satisfied by any such technical equity.

WHAT seems to have happened is that in Germany and Italy a certain number of influential people have made up their minds that, for reasons private to themselves, they must have colonies. The over-population cry and the complaint about access to raw materials look very much like polite afterthoughts.

Colonies, to some people, appear in the same light as diamond rings and pearl necklaces. The people next door have colonies. The Joneses have colonies. Then why not we? In essence it's a matter of prestige.

It's all very well for people who own half the diamonds in the world to say, "There's nothing in diamonds." It's a new attitude to diamonds that we'll be needing. And a new attitude to colonies.

SIDE GLANCES By George Clark



"Hey, Eddie, shall we charge admission for Annie's little brother?"

The Frock Coat, Banished From Court, Is Dead

BY A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE Frock Coat is dead—killed by the King's decree, banished from the backs of Household officials.

The few people who still own frock coats will, I am sure, be glad. A frock coat was not just a garment—as Oxford bags are garments. It was a regalia. It demanded a private income to maintain it.

It is the last of its own regalia to go. The stiff linen shirt and cut-throat collars which tortured the Victorian martyr who wore them went long ago.

The stiff cuffs—either detachable or bobbed by owner when returned well-frayed from the laundry—have gone forever, as has the fine sport of "shooting" them before the club fireside.

The black stock has gone—modern girls probably make a couple of summer evening frocks from its broad acres.

P.S. FOR HONGKONG TAI PANS



Spats are also going.

Spats are going. The last spat I saw in Great London was worn by a Belgian journalist, catching up with fashion steadily but surely.

The pearl or diamond tie-pin has gone. Again a matter of up-keep, and to some extent the fact that banks and businesses have to publish balance sheets to prove their prosperity. A pearl tie-pin does not convey to-day. Imitations are too good. I talked to an old lady who spins the Victorian, Edwardian, and Georgian periods by being sixty-four years of age.

She waved a charming hand at the imaginary cortege of the frock coat.

"My dear, I am delighted to see the dear thing go. Nowadays people have to travel on buses, no matter what their incomes."

"Can you imagine the tiresome job of getting out of a bus with every one sitting on your frock coat?"

"People have greater ideas of unselfishness and hygiene to-day. The silk hat is going. On great days I always trot up to Piccadilly to smell the naphtha coming from the hats of those on their way to the party. All the silk hats have been 'put away' since the previous party. Only bishops and schoolboys really wear silk hats daily these times."

"These are hurried times. My father used to take most of the morning, and the help of most of the household, to dress."

'EXIT PEACOCKS'

"Dress used to mean rank. To-day anything beyond neatness means that a man has nothing else to do. Men have ceased to be peacocks."

"My husband used to ride in the Row wearing those narrow trousers which were fastened under the instep with elastic. That fashion started no earlier than the frock coat. Yet there is no man brave enough to wear such things to-day."

"Men and women to-day have great sense in the matter of clothes. The old idea seems now to me, in retrospect, to have been the more the merrier. Thank heaven, we now wear our clothes instead of carrying them."

"The silk hat is so handsome that it is bound to stay for years for the great occasions, but it is all the Victorian days will have left to us of their impossibly ample wear."

CORRESPONDENCE

Volunteer Machine Gunners

(To The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—I am very sorry indeed that "Ex-Volunteer" has seen fit to misrepresent my statements as set out in my letter of 31st March.

I did not single out the American Company of the S.V.C. I merely quoted the caption under the picture. The rest of my remarks concerned the S.V.C. as a whole. "If this picture portrays them in action," I did not say that No. 5 M.G. Company were the first line of the Colony's defence, or that they were the only members of the Corps who realised the value of concealment.

I cannot agree with "Ex-Volunteer" that the correct placing of the gun

15TH CENTURY MASONIC TOAST TO CONTINUE

London, Mar. 16.

A Toast used as early as 1412 in Scotland and used in England since the early days of the 18th Century is to continue in use by the Grand Masonic Lodge of the Scottish Constitution.

The Earl of Harewood presiding at the Lodge this week made the announcement that it should be continued.

The Toast in question is "King and Craft."

Switchboard For All Europe

WORLD TELEPHONE CONFERENCE PLAN

Telephone experts of 21 countries are attempting to improve the standard of telephone efficiency throughout the world, by conferring at the International Telephone Conference at Burlington House.

They are exchanging the latest information concerning apparatus and methods which research engineers have perfected since the last conference two years ago.

Difficulties in the way of free exchange of telephone communication between countries are being broken down. The principal subject discussed was the interference of conversations carried by overhead lines through the proximity of electric power cables. A plan was prepared which, if ratified, will reduce this interference to a minimum.

Another subject is that of a "switching" plan for the whole of Europe. As in Britain, when all direct lines between one town and another are occupied, it is possible to make additional connections by more devious routes, so it is hoped, by an all-Europe plan, to cut down the time of waiting for calls between capitals when there is unusually heavy traffic.

ALTERNATE LINKS

For example, if all direct lines between London and Switzerland are in use, it would be possible under a European "switching" plan to send calls through Brussels and Paris.

Radio telephony has created many difficulties where landline and radio have to be linked across countries. A plan for the better connection of radio links between the countries of Europe, it is expected, will be one result of the conference.

The growing use of international telephone systems for relaying broadcast programmes has also presented new problems. Attempts are being made not only to improve the quality of transmission but to enable linking up to be accomplished so readily that eye-witness accounts of any sudden and unforeseen event may be transmitted for broadcast without delay and without pre-arrangement.

SHORT-WAVE BAND

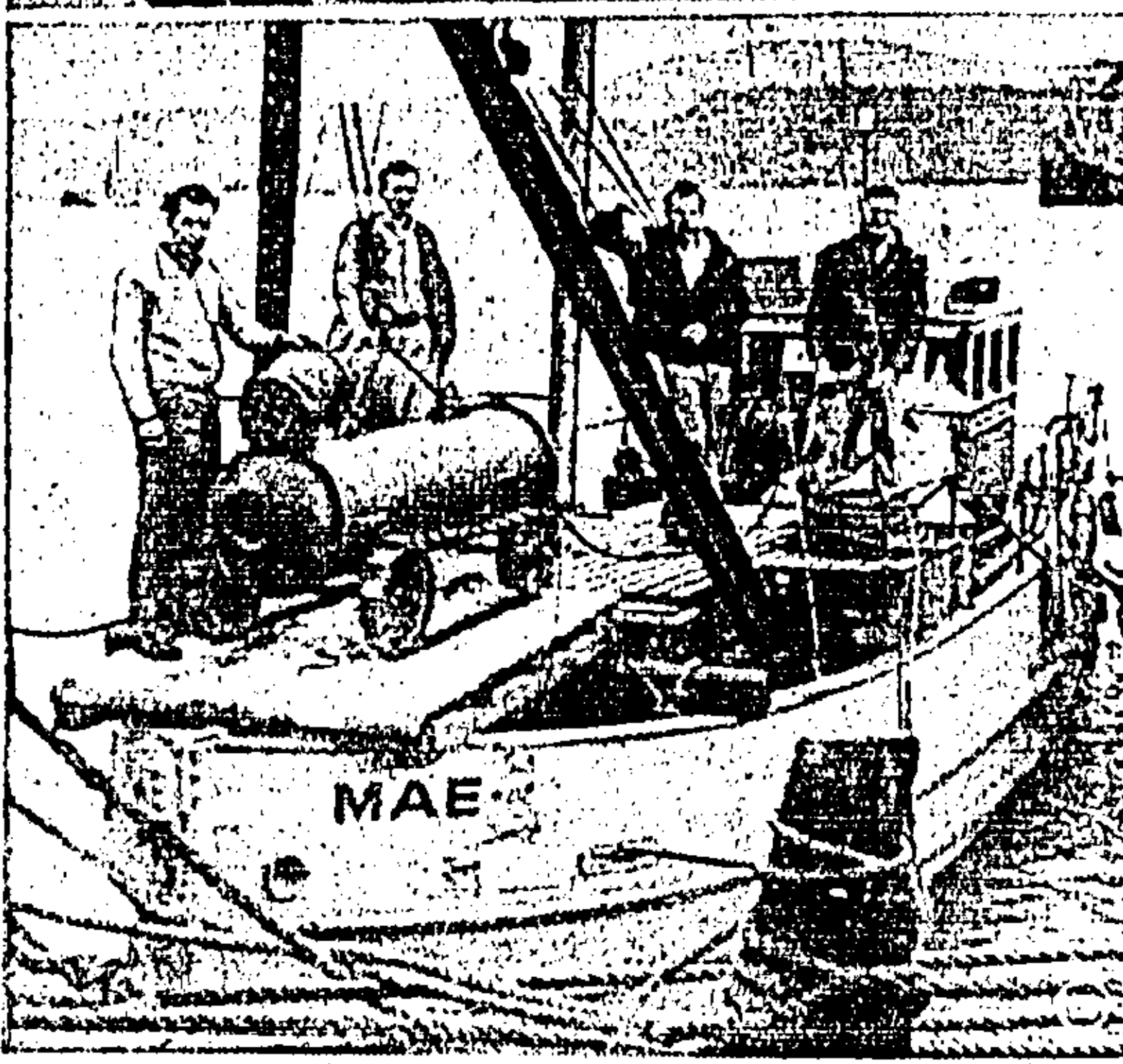
Another conference this week will be that of the International Broadcasting Union, which will meet in Paris on Thursday. This body, of which 40 countries are members, is primarily concerned with European broadcasting.

The main topic for discussion will be the growing congestion of the short-wave band. More and more stations with ever-increasing power are occupying wave-lengths in this band; and only by international agreement can complete paralysis by overlapping be prevented.

numbers is a minor detail. It is an essential factor even as a thorough knowledge of the mechanism. Whether a man has the guts to keep the gun in action in the face of an advancing enemy is a question entirely for the man behind the gun, but I venture to suggest that those who would funk the real thing are in a very small minority. No man knows how he will act under fire until he has actually experienced it.

MACHINE GUNNER.

SUBMARINE TRACTOR HUNTS FOR GOLD



Here's the newest method of seeking undersea treasure—a tiny tractor, with powerful searchlight. It is crawling nearly 200 feet under the waters of San Francisco Bay, seeking a \$102,000 bullion cargo in the wreck of the river steamer H. C. Cochran. Above: Halley Hamlin salvage expert in the tractor he invented and uses. Below: The tractor on deck of the tender, which supplies electricity, air, etc.

"ART" MAGAZINES: CHINA IS GOING ALL HOLLYWOOD

Tientsin, March 30.

Chinese women, long trained to excessive modesty and only recently permitted to be seen outside the home alone, have nearly caught up with their western sisters in the matter of appearing in the nude or semi-nude.

Scores of "art" magazines in which health and beauty or photographic excellence are the excuses for showing the Chinese femme in all her undraped loveliness are being turned out in Shanghai printshops and distributed throughout China.

The authorities frown on these publications and even confiscate them occasionally, but there seems to be just as many on the bookstands each month. Even the pornographic postcard like those made famous in Paris has a large sale in the treaty ports, retailing for a few coppers each or 20 cents per set.

The girls who posed for "art" magazines were from the lower class "pan tz" until recently when a Chinese movie queen, the exquisite Hsu Lai, known to all Chinese as the "Standard Beauty," whose beauty sets a standard for all China, dared to let herself be photographed sitting in a foreign bathtub, revealing more than concealing her bronzed glory.

Published in the art and movie fan magazines, the picture created a sensation. Movie stars and dancing girls galore began stepping out of their steps before the lens. Overnight, inhibitions of centuries were gone. To-day the Chinese film actress is just as modern as her sister in Hollywood.

The Chinese Women's Club in Shanghai started a movement to have Hsu Lai deported or barred from appearing in any more motion pictures but the movement failed, as the "Standard Beauty" is more popular than ever and she, together with Butterfly Wu, remains the idol of the Chinese silver screen.

The nude fad has not yet spread to the motion picture film as yet, however. Two musical pictures have been produced by Chinese studios recently but neither of them were concerned much with sex appeal and most of the dancers appeared in nothing more dangerous than ordinary lights.—United Press.

COURT ORDERS BANK SAFE TO BE BLOWN OPEN

London, Mar. 26.

Believing that £25,000 worth of gold bar and American Double Eagles, which they claim to own, is in a safe in a strong-room of the Midland Bank, London, a company has appealed in the Appeal Court against the refusal of a judge in Chambers to order an inspection of the safes, the keys of which had been lost.

The company said an ex-officer of Scotland Yard "could put his hand on a man who could open the safe."

The Bank, resisting the application, have said the strong-room would have to be blown open. Mr. Van den Berg, K.C., for the Fondation de Famille Elizabeth et Hans Ludwig Carl von Moister et Lelia von Moister, of Geneva, said they were a private company who were plaintiffs in an action.

The defendants were the Midland Bank and Bertrand Coles Neidecker, Aubrey Coles Neidecker, and Sybil Neidecker, of New York. The claim was for a declaration that the plaintiffs owned the gold. They also claimed an injunction to prevent the defendants parting with it.

The gold was deposited on their behalf in the safes by the Travelers' Bank, which, before it failed, had headquarters in Paris.

"We want to be sure that the gold is there. If we have to proceed to trial with the action, it may involve considerable expense, and we may find, like old Mother Hubbard, that the cupboard is bare."

The Midland Bank said that they had parted with essential keys, of which there were no duplicates, of the strong-room and safes.

Lord Justice Scott (who heard the application with Mr. Justice Eve) said the court had decided to make an order for the inspection of the property. They would be glad to have the assistance of counsel in drawing up the order.

Their intention was that whatever took place should be in the presence of an officer of the court and solicitors from all parties. That would give complete protection to the bank.

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1. A Dream of Paradise (Gray); 2. O Song Divine (Temple); 3. Too Late to-morrow; 4. Macushla (Rowe).
8.18 p.m. Violin Solos by Albert Sandler.

Estudiantina—Waltz (Waldteufel); 2. Delores—Waltz (Waldteufel); 3. The Child and his Dancing Doll (Heykens); 4. Spanish Serenade (Heykens).
8.30-9.20 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.
8.30 p.m. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
9 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin and Announcements.

9.20 p.m. From the Studio.
A Talk on "The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children" by Mr. G. P. de Martin.

9.25 p.m. Light Opera Gems.
Chu Chin Chow (Norton); Song—Arcady is ever young ("The Arcadians") (Monckton); Winnie Melville (Soprano); The Maid of the Mountains (Fraser-Simson).
9.45 p.m. The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

Phantom Minuet (Hope); Souvenir (arr. Willoughby); La Cinquintaine (Marie); Gavotte—from "Mignon" (Thomas); Andante in G (Baltiste).
10 p.m. Big Ben.
10.11 p.m. From the Studio.
Dance Music by the "Semreh" Dance Orchestra of H.M.S. "Hermes" conducted by Bandmaster Jack Gale; by kind permission of Captain the Hon. George Fraser, R.N., R.N.
11 p.m. Close Down.

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Transmission 1
(G.S.N., G.S.H.)
2.15 p.m. Big Ben. The Composer at the Piano—5.
2.40 p.m. "Young Ideas." A programme for anybody and everybody with young ideas.
3.10 p.m. Arthur Young and his Youngsters. In dance music.
Greenwich Time Signal at 3.15 p.m.
3.45 p.m. Talk "The Imperial Affairs" by V. Hodson.
4 p.m. The News and Announcements.
4.20 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 2
(G.S.J., G.S.G.)
7 p.m. Big Ben. The B.B.C. Welsh Orchestra.
7.45 p.m. "All Pears, Please!"
Greenwich Time Signal at 8 p.m.
8.15 p.m. A Reading from "Tues of the D'Urbervilles," by Thomas Hardy.
8.30 p.m. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
9 p.m. The News and Announcements.
9.20 p.m. The Birmingham Hippodrome Orchestra.
9.45 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 3
(G.S.O., G.S.E.)
10 p.m. Big Ben. Geller and his Orchestra.
10.20 p.m. An Aeronautical Review.
11.15 p.m. The Philip Whitley Ensemble.
12 p.m. Talk "The Spirit of Life."
12.20 p.m. The Hotel Metropole Orchestra.
Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.
12.30 a.m. The News and Announcements.
12.50 a.m. Vocal Serenade.
1 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 4
(G.S.I., G.S.D., G.S.H., G.S.C., G.S.O.)
1.15 a.m. Big Ben. The Hallis Quintet with Lola Gordon.
2 a.m. The News and Announcements.
2.20 a.m. Dance Music.
2.30 a.m. Brass Band Concert.
Greenwich Time Signal at 3 a.m.
3.20 a.m. "Young Ideas." A programme for anybody and everybody with young ideas.
4 a.m. A Recital by Samuel Kitcher (Violin).
4.15 a.m. Talk "Ocean Travel as it was Windjammer and Steam and Tramp Steamers" by Jerry Nunn.
4.30 a.m. The B.B.C. Orchestra (Section D).
5.30 a.m. Fred Hartley and his Novelty Quintet.
5.45 a.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 6 a.m.
6 a.m. "Out of Doors"—I try to see all things as the sun sees them, as the sun shines." Compiled by Henry Williamson.
6.20 a.m. Chamber Music.
6.45 a.m. Close down.

"TWO ANIMALS"

TIGERS REPORTED AT KOWLOON TONG

According to police reports "two animals," thought to be tigers, were seen in the Kowloon Tong district yesterday evening about 6.50 p.m.

The report states that "two animals, each about three feet high, very dark or black in colour" were seen by three Europeans, an Indian constable and a Chinese constable on a hillside behind No. 1 Kent Road, Kowloon Tong, about 6.50 p.m. yesterday.

It is understood that Inspector W. R. Chester-Woods went out to investigate but owing to the intensity of the hour nothing much could be done.



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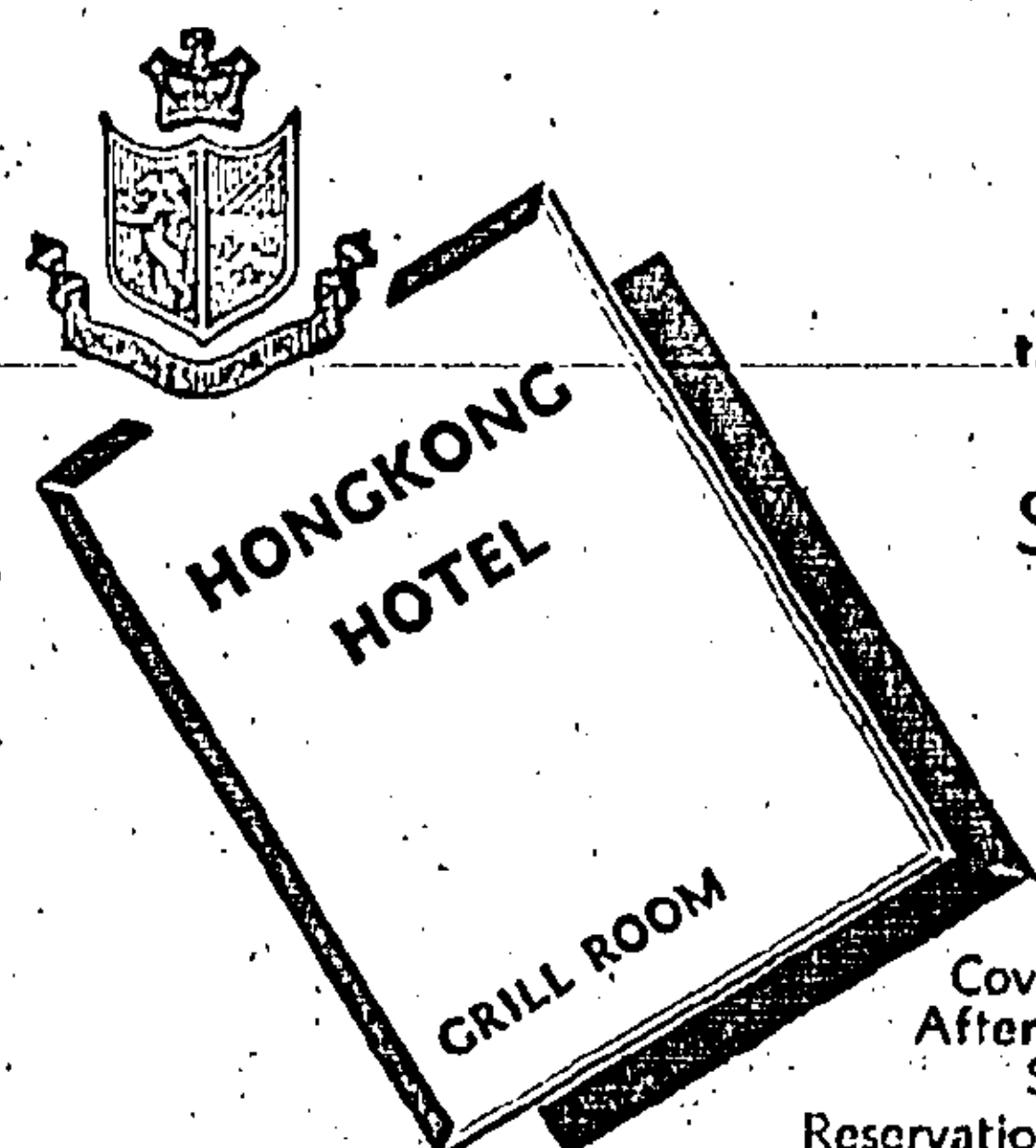
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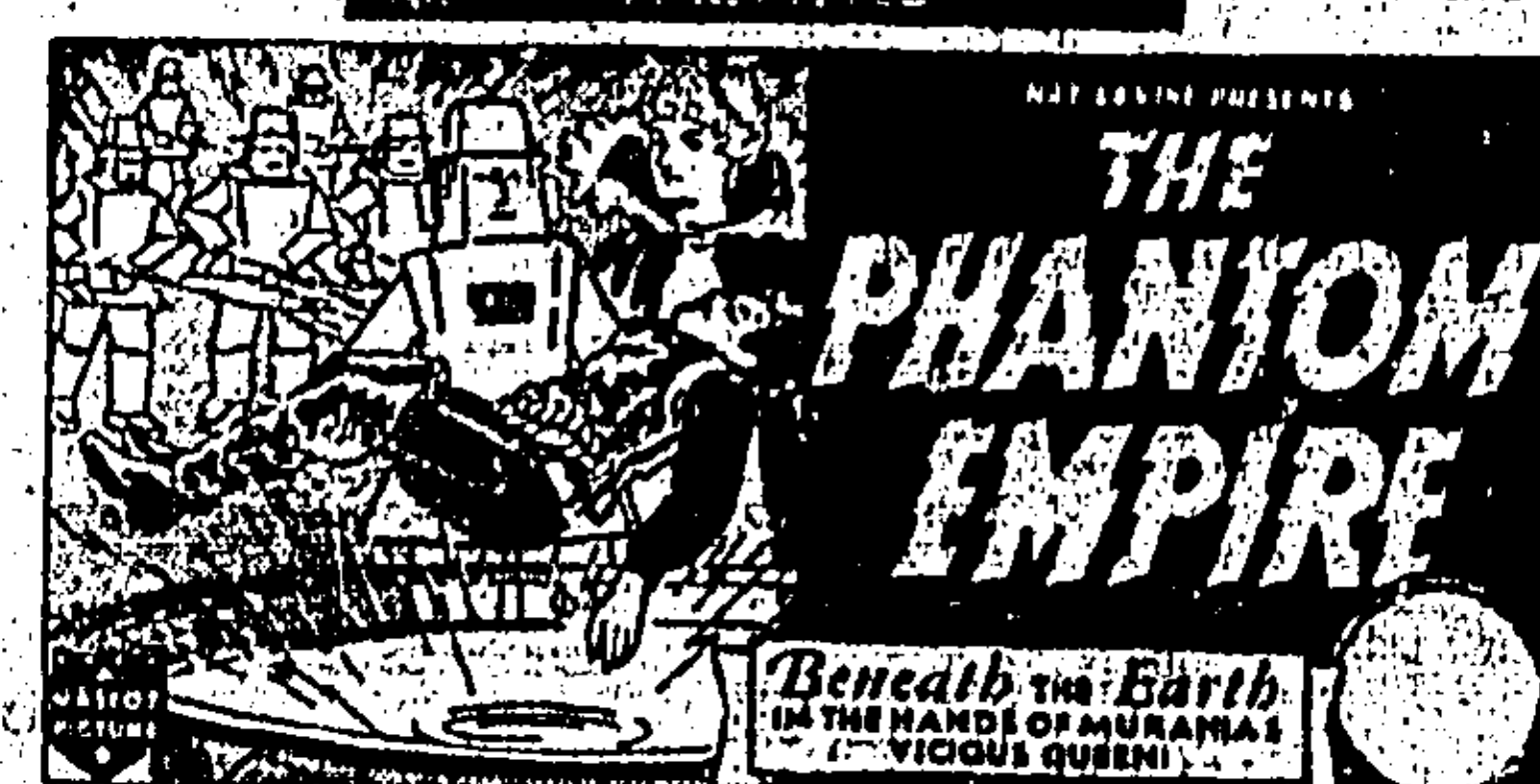
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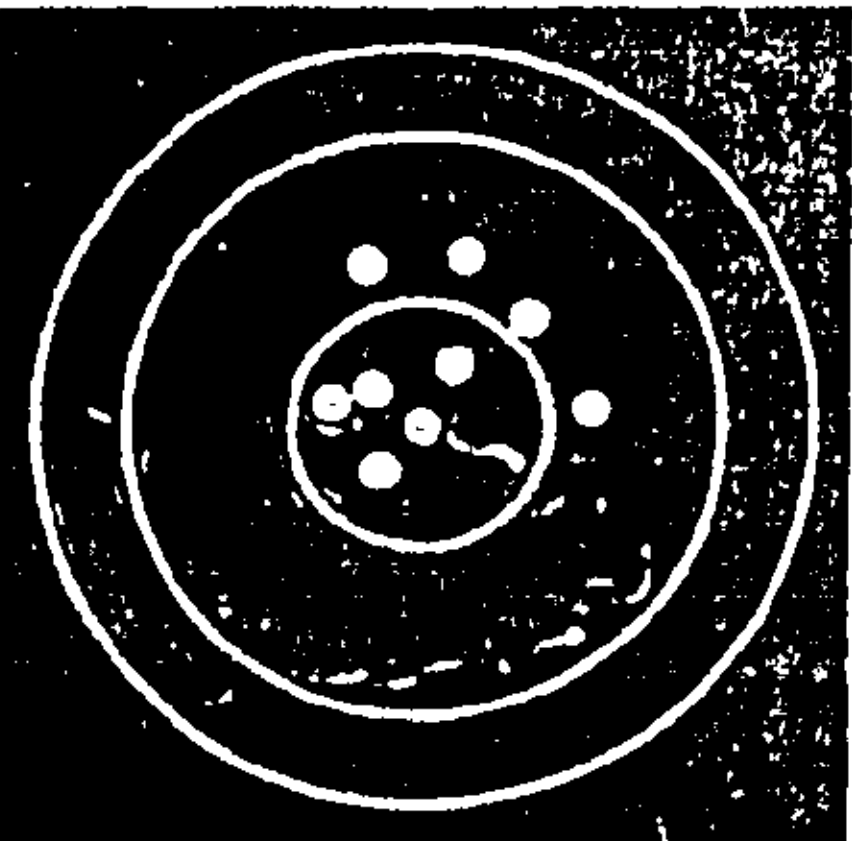
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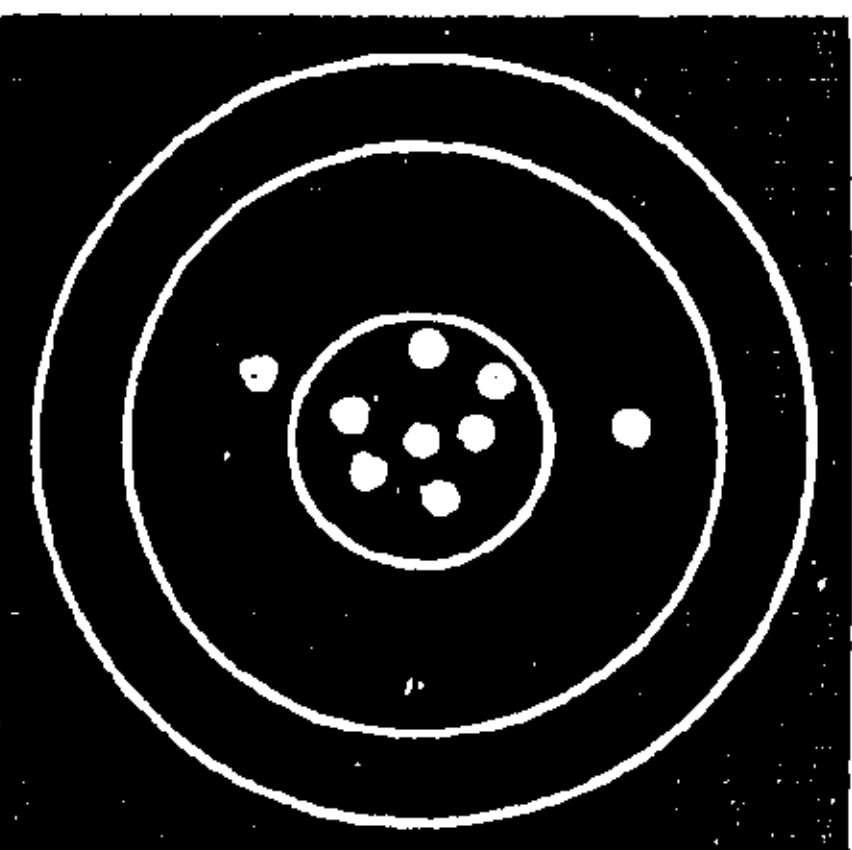
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WEDNESDAY'S SHOOT AT KOWLOON



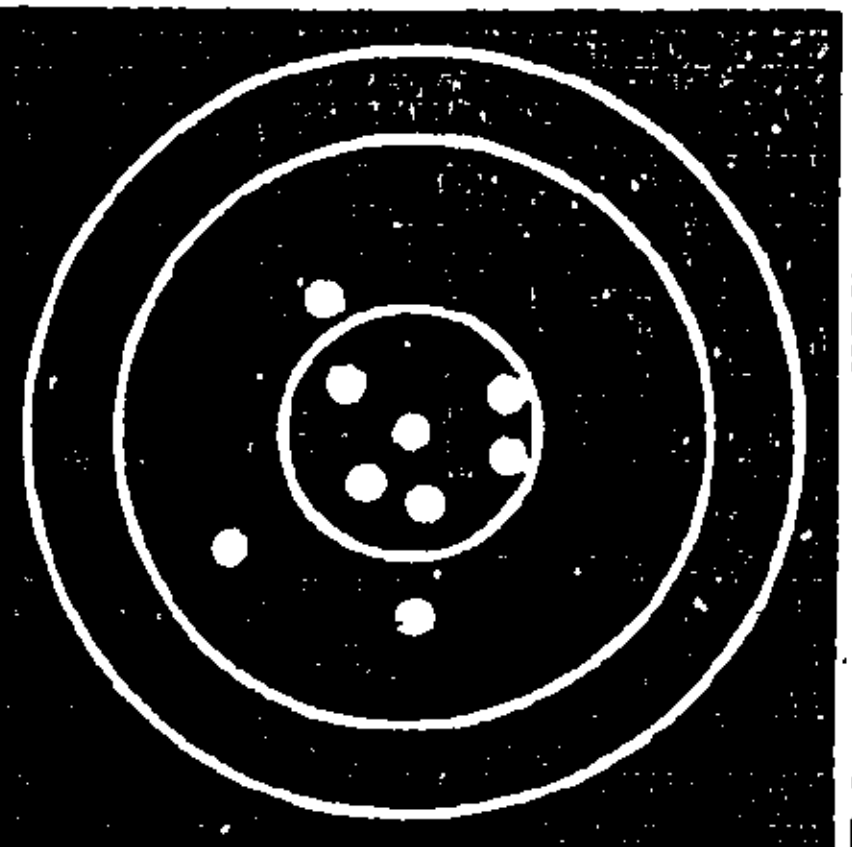
200 YARDS

Score: 4, 5, 5, 4, 5, 5, 4. Total 32.



500 YARDS

Score: 5, 4, 5, 5, 4, 5, 5. Total 33.



600 YARDS

Score: 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 4, 4. Total 33.
Winning spoon shot, fired by Capt. F. J. C. Rybol, R.A., at the H.K.R.A. mid-week competition at Kowloon Range on Wednesday. Capt. Rybol's aggregate for the three ranges was 95.

Range Accommodation Problem: Still Sore Point

By "Bull's Eye"

Satisfaction and gratification: such be the predominant feeling of all riflemen after reading this week's notes. Satisfaction that things are shaping so splendidly for our first annual meeting which commences at the end of the month; gratification that our Committee, led by a tireless Hon. Secretary, have made it possible for the H.K.R.A. to become what is undoubtedly Hongkong's most active Association.

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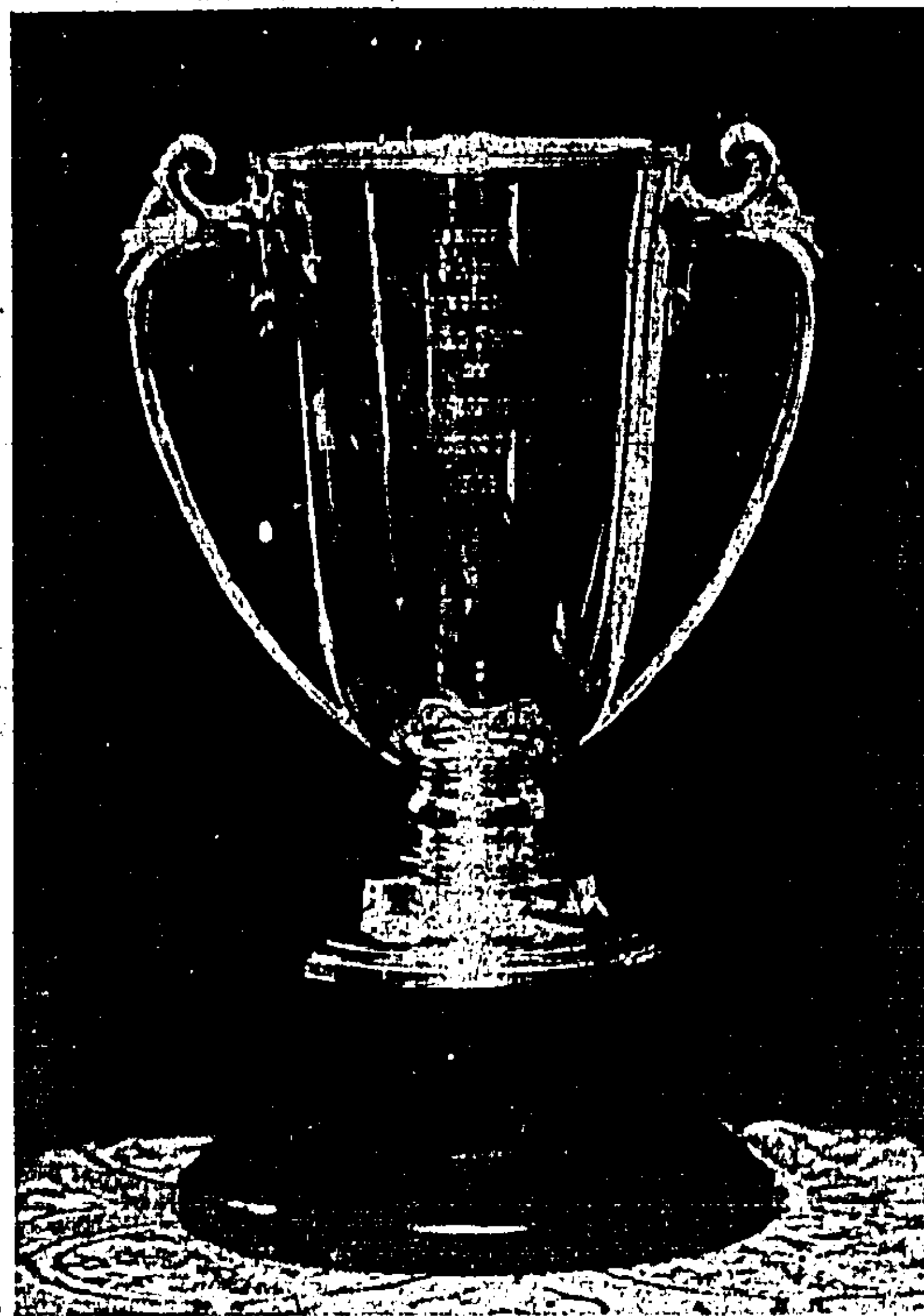
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that is not conducive to the welfare of any Association. The H.K.R.A. is not to blame, nor are the Naval authorities. Stonecutters is a naval property, and the Naval Department would be quite within their rights if they closed Stonecutters forever to civilian riflemen.

I know that the Kowloon Golf Course is a sore wound in many quarters, and it is a wound that is likely to fester unless some attempt is made to cut right into the original bone of contention. On the one hand we have a thriving Association of over 4,000 members, admittedly newly-born, on the other hand an old established Club of a membership that (in my ignorance) I'd place at well under a thousand.

Each of these Associations can claim, with equal justification, that they have a right to the land on which the Kowloon Golf Club has (quite lawfully) pegged its claim. But the Kowloon Golf Club has certainly got the big end of the stick. It retains to itself the use of the grounds for six days a week, fifty-one weeks a year. The only day in which the Hongkong Rifle Club can Wednesday!

MEMBER'S RESIGNATION
Now the majority of the H.K.R.A. members, like the Kowloon Golf Club members, are able to get away from their offices only during the week-ends. It means, therefore, that many of the riflemen are in the position that they are paying their dues to the Association without even the prospect of being able to participate in the competitions, spoon or otherwise. One prominent member was telling me only the other day that he had resigned from the H.K.R.A. for this very reason. I've asked Maj. Steers, the Hon. Secretary of the H.K.R.A. to comment on this position, but he prefers not to do so at this stage. It is a rotten position, however, and I do think that the Government or the Military authorities, or whoever it is that controls the destinies of clubs or Associations, should see that the H.K.R.A. is treated more equitably. The Kowloon Golf Club should meet the Riflemen half-way, and concede at the very minimum one week-end a month, or the authorities should provide another Range usually accessible to the city.

Golf is a sport—a mighty fine, body-building, health-giving sport. But rifle-shooting, in an isolated Colony like Hongkong, is a paramount necessity, and to cast it aside for sport may one day spoil the appetites of quite a lot of people.—Verb sap.

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All About Second Extra Race Meeting

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be seen that Rousseau had the race well in hand and won eventually by an easy two lengths. Philanderer, who was second, came a surprise and Ythan, who had the most backers, could not do better than fill the third position. The finish was like a procession.

DISAPPOINTING KING'S JUSTICE PERFORMANCE

The running of King's Justice in the Hongkong Jockey Club on Wednesday was very disappointing and the failure was either due to the heavy impost or the pace being too fast. The top-weighter King's Justice took the lead before reaching the mile post and from this junction to the half-a-mile pole, the distance was galloped in 27 seconds, which was very fast for "B" class ponies. However, when entering the straight he was still in the fore but petered out before the two mile post and finished a very bad fourth. King's Justice would have done much better if ridden from the back.

Sadko, who won the race in easy manner, gave the jockey Mr. P. Hotello his first winning mount of the season. Sadko was three pounds less than weight for inches, nevertheless the time 2:12.5 was just one second better than the record of Ribble, which figures incidentally were broken earlier in the afternoon. Mr. Choy Wing-chiu, who is now second whip to Mr. Dunbar's string of ponies, rewarded his supporters with \$164.10 and he certainly rode a clever race on Pontine Bay.

The Gorilla must have caused some uneasiness to the 801 backers in the Union Plate over six furlongs when he could not make any headway on Gold Sovereign in the last 100 yards from the finishing line and it was the reality due to the hard riding on the part of the jockey Mr. Pih that secured the verdict by the narrowest of margins.

CLASSIFICATION LIST AMENDED

The Modifications

The Classification List, issued by the Hongkong Jockey Club on March 17 has been slightly modified:

Honey	from B to A class
Racing Heart	"A to B"
Cyclamen Bay	"A to B"
New Star	"B to C"
Miracle	"D to C"
Rousseau	"D to C"
Festival Eve	"D to C"
Limelight	"D to C"

HOMESIDE RUGBY RESULTS

Leicester beat Bedford by seven points to six. Newport defeated Oxford University by 12 to 3 and Llanelli beat Swansea by three points to nil in rugby union matches to-day.—Reuter.

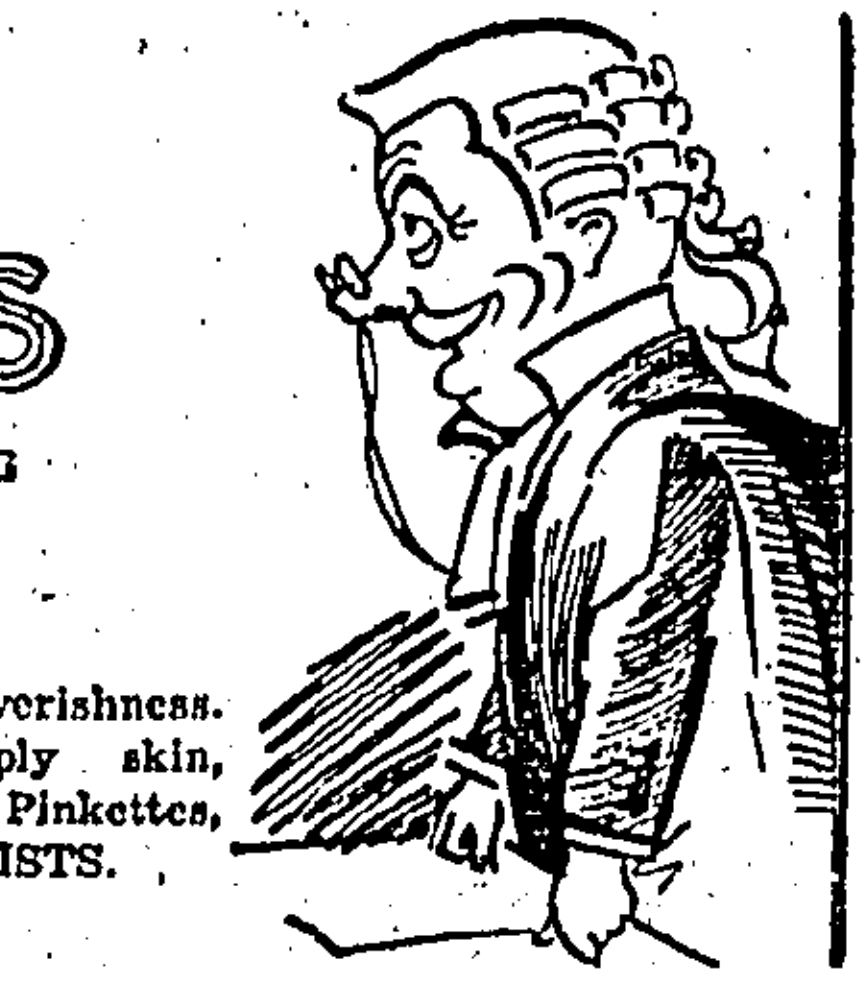
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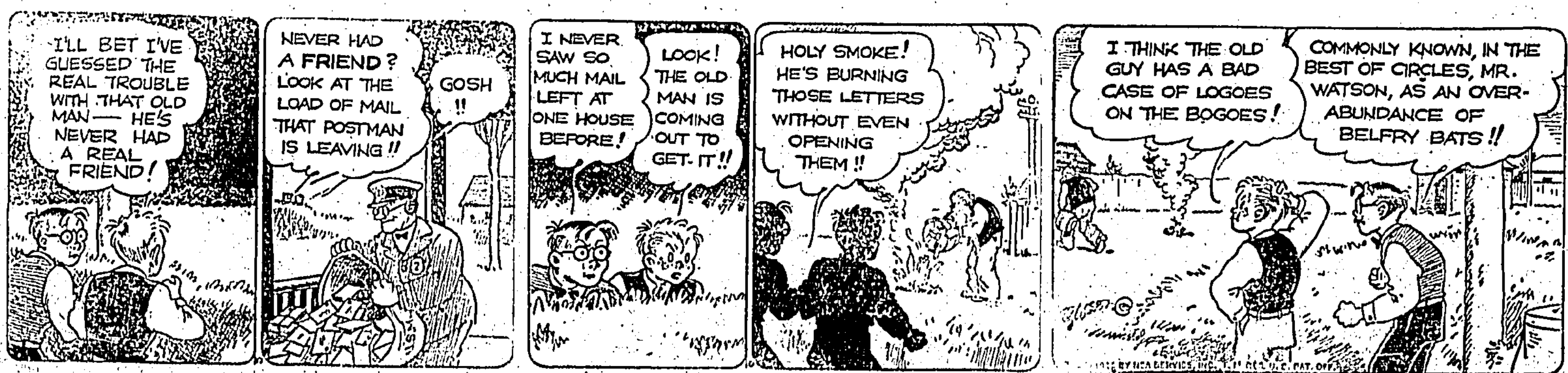
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Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
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Charles Dickens' A TALE OF TWO CITIES

Adapted by
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SYNOPSIS—Jarvis Lorry of
Tobacco's London Bank goes to
France with Lucie Manette
whose reputedly dead father has
been rescued by an old servant,
Defarge, after eighteen years' imprisonment in the Bastille.
The coach of the Marquis of
Evremonde runs over and kills
a child in front of Defarge's
wine-shop, knocking his chauffeur,
Evremonde finds his nephew,
Charles Darnay, leaving for Eng-
land, denouncing his uncle's
cruelty to the peasants. Darnay,
crossing to England with Lucie
Manette, is arrested upon land-
ing and tried for treason. By a
trick, Sydney Carton, one of the
defending lawyers, gets an ad-
mission from Darnay, the com-
placant, that he might have
been mistaken in his identifica-
tion of Darnay.

DARNAY MAKES A CONFESSION

CHAPTER IV

The jurors returned after a brief
absence with a verdict of acquittal.
Darnay was free. As he returned
to leave the box, Lucie Manette was
the first to reach his side. She
gave him her hand.
"I am so glad—so very glad."
They looked at each other, finding
words inadequate. Darnay kissed
her hand.
Stryver approached importantly.
"Glad to have brought you off with
honour, my friend."
"You saved my life," responded
Darnay with fervent gratitude.
"Never any other outcome possi-
ble. Barsad and Cly—" he snapped
his fingers. "Why, I could have told
you from the very sound of their
names that they were—" Stryver
caught a sarcastic glance from Sid-
ney Carton, and gave his sentence
a differing ending. "Well, er—any-
way, it was very simple."
Dr. Manette and Miss Pross joined
the group about Darnay while Car-
ton made his way to Barsad who
was slinking toward the courtroom
door.
"Well, Barsad," he said, "I think
you have favoured England long
enough. I suggest that you shed
your light on another country."
"Yes, Mr. Carton, sir. I'd love
to travel, sir."
"Perhaps France—or you might
prefer a remoter country, China."
Barsad, eyes downward, made his
escape, while Carton returned to
the congratulatory group about
Charles Darnay just as Miss Pross
hustled Lucie Manette and her
father away. Mr. Lorry was saying
to Darnay:
"My boy, never for a moment did
I doubt your innocence."
"So, Mr. Lorry," said Carton
cynically, "a responsible man of
business may speak to Mr. Darnay
in public—now that he's acquitted."
Lorry gave him a long angry
stare and took his departure in a
huff. Darnay was smiling a good-
bye to Lucie as she passed a win-
dow.
"Mr. Darnay, you are a very for-
tunate young man," said Carton.
Darnay turned at the voice, some-
what annoyed, that his admiration
for Lucie had had a witness. "I beg
your pardon, sir."
"Well, it's not long since you were
well advanced on your way to an-
other world."

"I am most grateful to Mr. Stry-
ver and to you. Would you care to
dine with me?"
"Of course, but I'll wine."
They sought a tavern where they
had dinner, Darnay doing justice to
the food, Carton to the drink. As
he pursued his course towards in-
ebriation Carton became rather pug-
nacious, slightly insolent.
"How does it feel, Mr. Darnay, to
be alive again—to taste, to feel?"
"It is very agreeable."
"I'm glad you find it so."
"Why, don't you?"
"As a matter of fact, I care for
no man—and no man cares for me."
Up all night, I'll wager."
"Not a wink. Very sad—just
drinking, for no reason."
"Then why do it?"
"You are smug, Mr. Darnay, to
ask why people drink. But I'll tell
you: they can stand their fellow
men better. After a few bottles
I might even like you."

Darnay arose angrily, but soon
controlled himself and sat down
again. "You have been kind to me.
I will not reward your kindness by
taking offence. A toast—let's
drink a toast—drink to the person
nearest your heart—the one you are
thinking of this instant."
"I don't know."
"Oh, yes, you do. It's on the tip
of your tongue now."
"Very well—Miss Manette."
They raised their glasses and drank.
"It must be worth being tried for
one's life to be the object of such
sympathy and compassion. Tell
me, Mr. Darnay, do you think I
particularly like you?"
"I don't think you did, but you're
acting now as though you didn't."
Darnay stood up and called the
waiter. "There is nothing in my
dialike, I hope, to prevent me settling
for the dinner?"
"In that case, waiter," said Carton,
"ask the waiter. Good night, Mr.
Darnay. Don't let your sober face
fade away."

When his host had departed, Car-
ton looked at himself in a cracked
mirror on the wall.
"Why treat the fellow like that?"
he muttered to himself. "It is be-
cause he shows you what you have
fallen away from—what you might
have been? Change places with him
and would you have been looked
upon by those eyes as he was? Come
on, Carton, you're jealous. Have
it out in plain words—you hate the
fellow!" With the words he dashed
his glass into the mirror.
Charles Darnay soon became a
frequent caller at the Manette es-
tablishment. The Doctor liked and
trusted him; Lucie loved him enough
to be willing to entrust her future
to him. Miss Pross hid her tolerance
for him under a sharp and seem-
ingly contemptuous tongue. Lucie
invited him to attend Christmas Eve
service with the family, and they were
dressed to go out, and waiting for
him.
"Really, what can be keeping Mr.
Darnay? He promised to be here at
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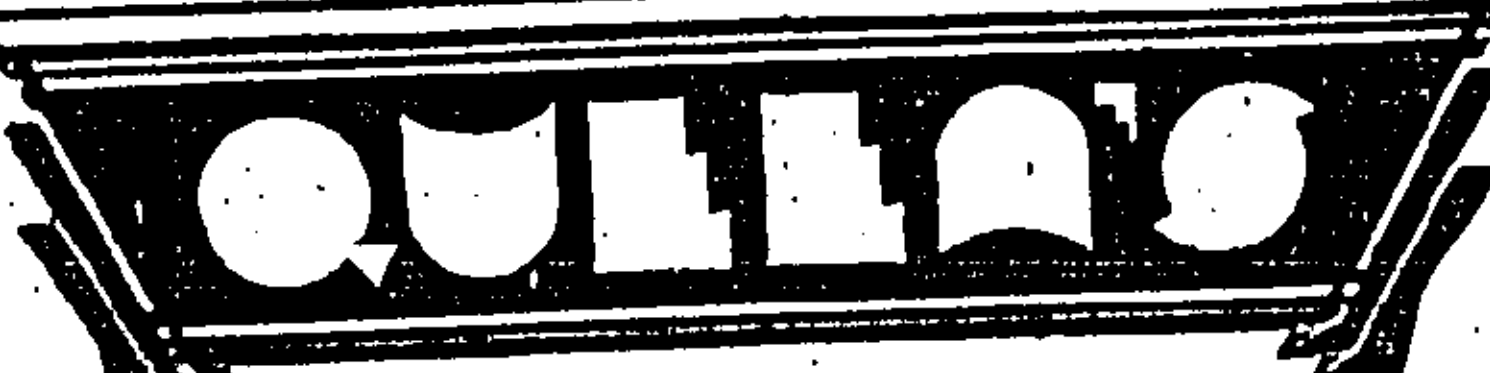
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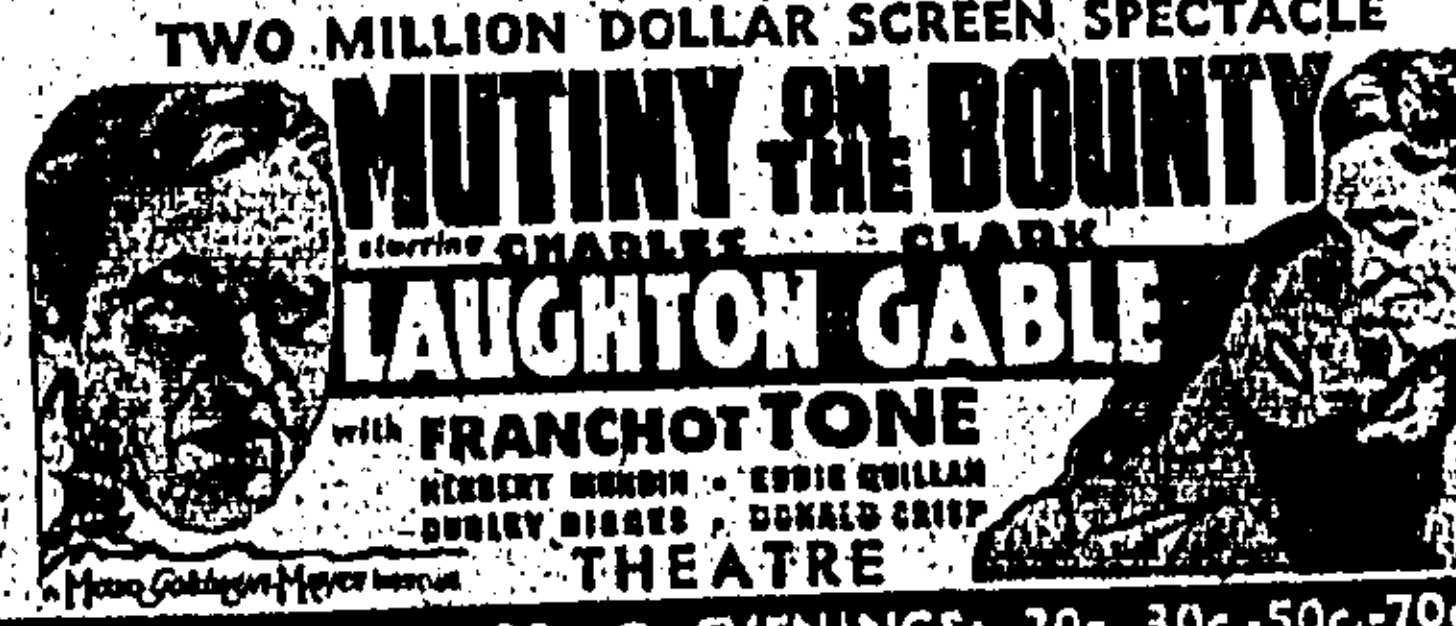
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LITTLE HOPE OF PEACE

BUT ITALY READY TO NEGOTIATE

ETHIOPIAN APPEAL

(Special To "Telegraph")

Rome, Apr. 2.
Despite the Government's acceptance of Senor Madariaga's invitation to get into touch with him with a view to the settlement of the Ethiopian war, there seems little prospect of a quick settlement under the auspices of the Committee of Thirteen.

Both the plan of the Committee of Five and the Hoare-Laval plan, as a basis for a possible settlement, have been declared in political circles to be out of the question.

It is officially denied that the Negus has sent emissaries to talk peace with the Italian High Command, and it is not believed that Signor Mussolini will advance any definite peace proposals.

It is, however, suggested that the French Ambassador, who is returning to Paris for a brief holiday, may sound the French Government with regard to its views.—*Reuter Special.*

CONVERSATION PLANNED

Rome, Apr. 2.
It is officially announced that Signor Savich, the Italian under-secretary for Foreign Affairs, is seeing Senor Madariaga, chairman of the Committee of Thirteen, to convey the Italian Government's acceptance of the invitation to get into touch with the Committee, and to discuss the settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian conflict.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

ETHIOPIAN APPEAL

Geneva, Apr. 2.
A three-fold appeal was made to the League of Nations to-day by the Ethiopian Government.

It asked first for financial assistance, secondly for the removal of obstacles certain states were still placing in the way of transport of arms to Ethiopia, and thirdly for reinforcement and completion of sanctions.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

GOVERNMENT DEFEATED

FAILS TO BLOCK LORDS' VOTE

London, Apr. 2.
The Government suffered a second minor defeat in the House of Lords this evening, during the debate on the Bill providing unemployment insurance for agricultural labourers. A clause providing that labourers should draw their benefits from the Post Office, instead of having to go possibly long distances to the Labour Exchange, was proposed by the Government, and supported by the Labourites. It was opposed by the Government, but was adopted by 33 votes to 9.

The Government was again defeated by 18 votes to 13 in connection with the machinery for payment of the benefits.—*Reuter Special.*

NO SIGNIFICANCE

London, Apr. 2.
Following the surprise defeat of the Government last night in the House of Commons division on an amendment in favour of equal pay for men and women in the Civil Service, the Government was twice defeated in the Lords this evening on amendments to the Agricultural Unemployment Insurance Bill. The defeats have no political significance.

With reference to the Commons incident, the Prime Minister announced to-day that he would present on Monday a motion on equal pay for men and women in the Civil Service—upon which question the Government were not prepared to depart from present policy—and the Government would treat the division as a vote of confidence.—*British Wireless.*

ADMIRAL LITTLE IN MACAO

ENTERTAINED BY GOVERNOR

Macao, April 2.
Vice Admiral Sir Charles C. Little, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, arrives here to-day at 6.30 p.m. from Canton aboard H.M.S. Falmouth.

Sir Charles was the guest of the Governor of Macao, Dr. J. Pereira Barbosa, and Madame Barbosa to dinner this evening at Government House. Despite it being unofficial owing to the death of King George V, Macao feels honoured to receive a visit from the distinguished guest.

An attempt is being made to arrange a football match between one of the local teams and the Falmouth eleven.

The Admiral expects to be in Macao for two days before returning to Hongkong.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

CANADIAN TRADE COMM. DEPARTS TO-DAY



Major V. E. Ducloux, M.C., Canadian Government Trade Commissioner in Hongkong, who is proceeding to Canada by the Empress liner to-day. During his leave he will take up with Canadian exporters various points with a view to overcoming difficulties encountered in establishing trade connections in Hongkong and South China. (Photo: Kobza).

WOMAN HEADS PAN-AMERICAN PEACE MISSION

Washington, Mar. 26.
The forces of peace armed with ballots not bullets are invading Mexico and Central America.

Campaigning for signatures to the People's Mandate against war for which 50,000,000 signatures are being sought throughout the world, Miss Heloise Brainerd, Chairman for Latin America of the People's Mandate, left Washington Feb. 10 for a tour of Mexico and Central America.

The first name on the petition to be circulated in Mexico is that of Mexican Ambassador to Washington, Dr. Don Francisco Castillo Najera, who has lent his support to the cause.

To Mexico City first Miss Brainerd, who was, for many years chief of the Division of Intellectual Co-operation of the Pan American Union and an experienced Latin American traveler, goes first to Mexico City.

From Mexico, Miss Brainerd will proceed to Guatemala City for 10 days and then to San Salvador.

Visits to Tegucigalpa, Honduras and Managua, Nicaragua are scheduled to follow late in March. Miss Brainerd expects to visit Costa Rica and Panama in April completing the Central American tour.

The campaign for the People's Mandate, which was launched by the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, is being carried on by an independent committee recently formed for the Western Hemisphere and the Far East.

Drive On in Europe
An European Committee with headquarters at Paris and members from seven countries is now conducting an active drive for signatures from there.

The American Committee has for its Chairman Dr. Mary E. Woolley, once member of the United States delegation to the Disarmament Conference and president of Mount Holyoke College, Mass. Mable Vernon, leader in the woman suffrage and equal rights campaigns and more recently identified with work for peace and disarmament, is the campaign director, aided by Miss Mary Moss Wellborn, who for several years past has been identified with the equal rights movement.

Men and women from many Latin American Republics have notified Miss Brainerd of their interest and active support of the work of the Mandate Committee. To date signatures have been received from Argentina, Chile, Cuba, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Panama and Uruguay.

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BRITISH GUARANTEE OF FRENCH SECURITY

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Paris, Apr. 2.

France has denounced the German counter-proposals to the Locarno Powers' peace formula, declaring they are utterly inadequate. France insists upon a meeting of the French, British and Belgian General Staffs and a conference of the Locarno Powers to consider what action shall be taken.

Meanwhile, Paris has received the British letter authorising a start on the General Staff talks.

French leaders to-day asserted that Germany had failed, in its memorandum delivered yesterday, to answer the French questions on specific European problems. Moreover, Germany had misinterpreted the Locarno Treaty's history and had not offered eastern or central European collective security plans. Further, the German proposals provided for only provisional, instead of permanent, peace.—United Press.

Almost Entirely Negative

Paris, Apr. 2.
The German memorandum is considered by France to be almost entirely negative, according to authoritative circles, which contend that the German peace proposals would result in the ruin of the collective security system, mutual aid and the League of Nations itself.

It is pointed out that the Locarno Powers agreed that before negotiations could be opened for the organisation of European peace, international law, broken by Germany, must be re-established, at least in part. But the Reich had mostly rejected the measures provided.

It is felt the German memorandum deals a serious blow to the League by suppressing the Hague Tribunal in favour of a court of arbitration, of which no details are given.—Reuter.

To Make Statement

London, Apr. 2.
Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, will make a statement in the House of Commons to-morrow dealing with the German reply to the Locarno Powers' peace proposals.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

Immediate Action Urged

Paris, Apr. 2.
It is understood that a meeting of the Locarno Powers is envisaged for April 6 at Brussels or Paris.
At a half-hour meeting between the British Ambassador, Sir George Clerk, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Pierre Flandin, to-day, the question of this Locarno conference was considered. It is understood the British Government has been asked for an immediate reply to the suggestion.—Reuter.

Staff Negotiations

London, Apr. 2.
Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, announced to-day that Great Britain could not agree to a postponement of the General Staff negotiations with Belgium and France, which are regarded as an essential element in the restoration of confidence.
The conversations will be kept under the strict control of the Cabinet.—(Continued on Page 5.)

SHANGHAI RICKSHAS TIED UP

FEAR DISTURBANCE
AS RESULT

PULLERS RAID CLOSED HONGS

Shanghai, Apr. 3.
Signs that the ricksha-owners, involved in a dispute with the Municipal Council, are yielding, became evident to-day, as about 1,600 more public vehicles are believed to be available for hire.

Following the Council's warning that it intends to reduce the number of licences issued to owners, on the principle of "first come, first served," Monday next has been fixed as "zero day" for the renewing of licences.
It is understood that after the date named the Council will be prepared to refuse to grant any licences to the present owners, as certain other parties have offered to take over the ricksha business on the Council's terms.

Groups of pullers yesterday raided a number of ricksha hongs, and forcibly removed the vehicles, which were later rescued by the police. However, the threat of major disorders, it is hoped, will be removed by the decision of the authorities to grant relief of 15 cents daily. A number of small owners are also paying relief to the pullers.—Reuter.

WORKERS' ULTIMATUM

Barcelona, Apr. 3.
The metal workers decided yesterday to seize all factories whose management did not agree by 8 o'clock to-night to pay for the four hours extra work each week in the past seven months since the Government restored the 48-hour week.—United Press.

TO BE CROWNED
IN MAY, 1937



London, Apr. 2.
The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, announced in the House of Commons to-day that the coronation of King Edward VIII would be held in May, 1937, the precise date to be fixed as soon as possible. He intimated that representatives of the Dominions, India and the Colonies would be invited to attend the ceremonies, as is customary.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

Amy Mollison Hops Off

London, Apr. 2.
Mrs. Amy Mollison expects to leave Gravesend Aerodrome at 3 a.m. on April 3 in a mystery plane, capable of high speed.
She is going to try to regain the record for the England to Capetown flight, which she recently lost to Tommy Rose. Mrs. Mollison hopes to reach Capetown in two days' flying, over the West African route.
She took her machine out on a trial flight this afternoon.—Reuter.

Amy Mollison hopped off for the Cape at 5.30 this morning.—Reuter.

NAZI "DECLARE WAR" ON ZEPPELIN COMMANDER

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Berlin, Apr. 2.

Owing to his refusal to allow himself to become a propagandist for Herr Hitler, the Nazis have "declared war" on Dr. Hugo Eckener, the well-known Zeppelin commander.

Dr. Josef Goebbels, Minister for Propaganda, has issued instructions that Dr. Eckener's name is henceforth not to be mentioned in the newspapers, whilst no more pictures of him are to be published.

This drastic decision follows the efforts to "Nazify" Dr. Eckener and the Zeppelin works at Friedrichshafen.

While a loyal German, Dr. Eckener has always resisted the attempts to mingle politics and airships. It is understood that the Nazis desired to christen the new airship "Adolf Hitler" but it is alleged that Dr. Eckener forestalled them by prematurely announcing the name of the ship was "Field Marshal von Hindenburg."

It is further stated that Dr. Eckener resented the use of the new airship for Nazi propaganda during the recent election.—Reuter Special.

THE "QUEEN MARY"

London, Apr. 2.
The liner Queen Mary is to remain in the King George V graving dock at Southampton until she sails for the North to undergo official trials, which are expected to be completed on April 14 or 15.—British Wireless.

HEAVY TOLL OF STORM

40 Killed and
400 Injured

GEORGIA HARD-HIT

New York, Apr. 2.
At least forty have been killed and four hundred injured as the result of a disastrous tornado, followed by torrential rains, which is sweeping Georgia, Alabama and South Carolina.
Thirty-three are dead in Cordelia (Georgia) alone, which is the centre of the storm.

Eye-witnesses state that the tornado splintered houses like dynamite, mangling the victims.
The new baseball stadium at Cordelia has been converted into a hospital, and the Governor of Georgia has despatched two companies of the National Guard and five Army doctors to the scene.

Three trains were derailed by landslides. One plunged into French Broad River, the passengers miraculously escaping.
The damage is estimated at over a million dollars.—Reuter.

New York, Apr. 2.
Tornado and flood have again ravaged the south and the death list already reached forty, with scores more injured. Property damage is estimated at over \$1,000,000.

Georgia was hardest hit. Cordelia was hit by the full blast of the storm and homes, power lines and plantations were destroyed.
The National Guard reports that ten whites and 30 negroes have been killed.

Torrential rains washed out the railroad near Chatsworth and Alabama state was inundated in many places by rivers which turned from placid streams into ravaging torrents. Families fled from the lowlands.—United Press.

Seven persons have been killed in this North Carolina city and scores injured by a tornado which also did nearly \$1,000,000 damage in a few minutes.—Reuter.



The Nazis have "declared war" on Dr. Hugo Eckener, Zeppelin commander, in consequence of his refusal to become a propagandist for Hitler. German newspapers are not permitted to mention his name or to publish his photograph.

WENDEL TELLS WHY HE ADMITTED TO LINDBERGH CRIME

STRUNG UP BY THUMBS IN CELLAR PRISON

New York, Apr. 2.

An astounding story of how his confession to the murder of the Lindbergh baby was extracted by torture, was told by Paul Wendel, former Trenton lawyer, when he was interviewed by a representative of the Brooklyn District Attorney to-day.

Wendel said he was imprisoned for ten days in the cellar of a Brooklyn house. Before he signed the confession he was tortured with fire, strung up by his thumbs to the ceiling, and threatened with a terrible death. His captors said they would seal him alive in a barrel of cement and lower him to the bed of the sea.

After four men had burned his eyebrows and body with cigarettes, he finally wrote the confession.
Then, he declares, the gangsters drove him to a point outside the house of Detective-Inspector Ellis Parker, where they dropped him.—Reuter.

Searching Probe

New York, Apr. 2.
The authorities are searching for Wendel's charges that he was tortured into making the confession of murder of the Lindbergh baby, which he has since repudiated.
He has stated that as he entered a New York hotel on January 14, a man pressed a gun against his back and ordered him into a car. He was imprisoned in a cellar for ten days, was burned and beaten and finally hung up by his thumbs. After a week of this sort of treatment he agreed to sign a confession, he said.—United Press.

Prisoner Dies After Assault

SERIOUS CHARGE
MAY DEVELOP

DISCLOSURES
AT INQUEST

"This case may develop into a serious charge and requires a lot of investigation," remarked Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., when an inquest was opened by Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Central Magistrate's court to-day into the circumstances surrounding the death of a prisoner, Teoi Tong, at the Government Civil Hospital at 12.45 p.m. on April 2.

The jury empanelled consisted of Messrs. H. A. Pearson (foreman), E. G. Dale and Kong Ko-woon.

The first witness called was Dr. I. Newton, Government Medical Officer, who testified that at 12.20 p.m. on February 18, the prisoner was taken from Lanchikok Prison to the Government Civil Hospital. He had a cut on the outer side of his right knee, just below the knee cap. The cut ran upwards and backwards, extending 4½ inches.

On February 20, witness operated on the wound, closed the rent in the knee joint and put the prisoner to bed. The knee joint became infected, and, on March 5, witness again operated on the joint, washing it and draining it. A further incision was made by Dr. Thomas but the general condition of the patient became worse and he died at 12.45 p.m. on April 2. At 9.30 a.m. to-day, the body was identified by Chief Warder Fitzgerald as that of prisoner Teoi Tong, No. 23884.

Witness carried out a post-mortem examination and on opening up the knee joint he found it still infected.—(Continued on Page 5.)

Australia- America Air Link?

EMPIRE PLANES TO
MEET CLIPPERS

NEW ROUTES
SUGGESTED

London, Apr. 3.
The Daily Telegraph's Sydney correspondent understands that discussions for a flying boat service are proceeding along new lines, involving Australia's abandonment of the Darwin-Singapore section in favour of a Darwin-North Borneo route.

From North Borneo there would be branches to Manila, Hongkong, New Guinea and Papua.
Empire flying boats would connect with the trans-Pacific Clipper ships of the Pan-American Airways, affording direct communication between Australia and the United States by a twice-weekly service, also embracing New Guinea.—Reuter.

CREW TAKEN OFF PEI AN

ABANDON SHIP WHEN
WEATHER THREATENS

News has been received in the Colony to the effect that the captain and crew of the Japanese-chartered steamer Pei An, which went ashore in the Gulf of Tongking a few days ago, have been taken off the ship.

The decision to leave the ship was taken owing to the prevalence of bad weather, and accordingly the captain and crew went aboard the Chinese Maritime Customs cruiser, Hai Ping, which hoped to land them in Hailow to-day.

Meanwhile, the tug Talkoo, from Hongkong, is still on the way to the scene of the stranding, and on arrival will investigate the possibility of salvaging the ship.

PARDON FOR MAN WHO TRIED TO CATCH KAISER

Raleigh, N.C., Apr. 2.

Colonel Luke Lea, former Senator from Tennessee, who attempted to capture the ex-Kaiser, claimed his service as a front line officer in the World War, will be released from Central Prison here to-morrow.

Pardon papers for the former Nashville newspaper publisher, sentenced to from six to ten years for conspiracy to violate the state banking laws, were made public to-day.—United Press.

Fighting To Save Prisoner

Hauptmann In
Jury's Hands

EXECUTION TO-NIGHT?

(Special To "Telegraph")

Trenton, April 2.

For two hours to-day Governor Harold Hoffman of New Jersey testified before the Grand Jury considering the charge of murder against Paul Wendel, presenting every possible argument to show that the mystery of the Lindbergh case was still unsolved.

When he had concluded, the New Jersey Attorney General, Mr. Wilentz, presented his arguments. He said it was impossible to indict Wendel on a murder charge.

Even if he admitted the confession he had repudiated he could not be held for murder, because his confession says the baby died accidentally in a fall from bed. "That is not murder," argued Mr. Wilentz.

WIFE WITH HAUPTMANN
Meanwhile, in Trenton, Bruno Hauptmann awaits the decision of those who hold the power of life and death over him. He is scheduled to die to-morrow night, but he is still confident he will escape execution.
His wife was with him to-day and said she was certain it would not be her last visit.

The hour for Hauptmann's death—8 p.m. Friday—was fixed again to-night. But there is a fair chance that the electric chair will not be used and that he will at least live through the summer.

READY FOR CHAIR

Hauptmann's clipped skull is still gleaming from the halberd he was given in preparation for his execution in the electric chair.

This morning he did not awaken until after 10 o'clock and when he did he ate a hearty breakfast.
At 8 a.m. to-morrow the Mercer County Grand Jury resumes its deliberations on the case of Paul H. Wendel, disbarred Trenton attorney, who confessed to the Lindbergh baby murder and then repudiated the confession, saying it was forced from him by torture. Hauptmann's life hangs on the decision of this jury of 22 men and a woman, jurymen, ordinary people, who have shifted the spotlight from the Trenton state prison to themselves. They can keep Hauptmann alive even past Friday by simply sitting still and doing nothing about the murder charge against Wendel.

If the jurors report no indictment against Wendel, Hauptmann will die. If they indict Wendel, Hauptmann's life may be spared another six months, although no-one can be certain about even that. Only Hauptmann and his wife are confident.—United Press.

VERDICT AT HAND

Trenton, Apr. 2.
Paul Wendel has been taken to the Grand Jury room, following the clearing of the Courthouse corridors.

It is rumored he is about to be sentenced to a verdict. It depends upon their decision, whether or not they will bring in an indictment for murder against Wendel, whether Hauptmann lives or dies to-morrow.—United Press.

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TROUSERS INSTEAD
OF BREECHES

London, Apr. 2.
The Air Ministry announces impending changes in Service uniforms for the officers and airmen of the Royal Air Force, the most important of which is the abolition of breeches and puttees in favour of trousers for all ranks.—British Wireless.



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COMMON COLD: IS THE CAUSE FOUND?

MYSTERY VIRUS DISCOVERY

BRITISH DOCTORS' HOPE

A MYSTERIOUS virus, invisible under the most powerful micro-
scope, is now being studied by British
scientists in their investigations into
the cause and cure of influenza and
the common cold.

This minute living organism, which is
believed to be the long-sought cause of the
influenzal condition, is stated to be the main
problem now confronting the scientists, and
the one on which they are concentrating.

Its origin and properties are being inquired
into by two full-time experts—Dr. C. H. S. Harris,
of London University, and Dr. Leslie Hoyle, of
Manchester University, both holders of the Royce
research scholarships, founded under the will of
the late Sir Henry Royce, the famous motor
engineer.

The two men are devoting their whole time to
tracking down the causes of colds and influenza
and to attempting to discover a cure.

Only a few specimens of the virus,
jealously guarded in bacteriolo-
gical laboratories, are in existence,
an ironical aspect of the situation
being that the absence of an in-
fluenza epidemic is hampering the
efforts of the research workers.

They are having to work with
specimens obtained a considerable
time ago.

Dr. Hoyle described some of his
work to a reporter. "In several
cases of influenza no virus has
been traced," he said, "and it is
not certain that the virus does
produce influenza. We are now
trying to obtain more specimens
and to produce a serum."

"If we find the virus is the
cause of influenza, then we can
begin to trace its origin, and
eventually to search for a cure
or prevent the virus from be-
coming active."

X-Ray Photograph
"Dr. Harris and I are in close
touch with the work being done in
Germany and the United States.
So far all that any of us has been
able to do is to isolate this virus."
There is a possibility of the
virus being photographed in the

IRON LUNG STOPS AFTER 699 DAYS

San Francisco, Mar. 28.
An iron lung which had
pumped breath into the frail
body of eighteen-year-old Ray-
mond Rambo, suffering from
infantile paralysis, stopped its
work to-day.

Raymond has died following
acute stomach cramp.

The iron lung had kept him
breathing for 699 days.

near future. A new microscope,
using X-rays, has been construct-
ed in London and several of the
larger viruses have already been
photographed by its aid.

These organisms are invisible
under ordinary light, since they
are less than half size of a wave-
length of light. Only by using
ultra-violet rays or X-rays can
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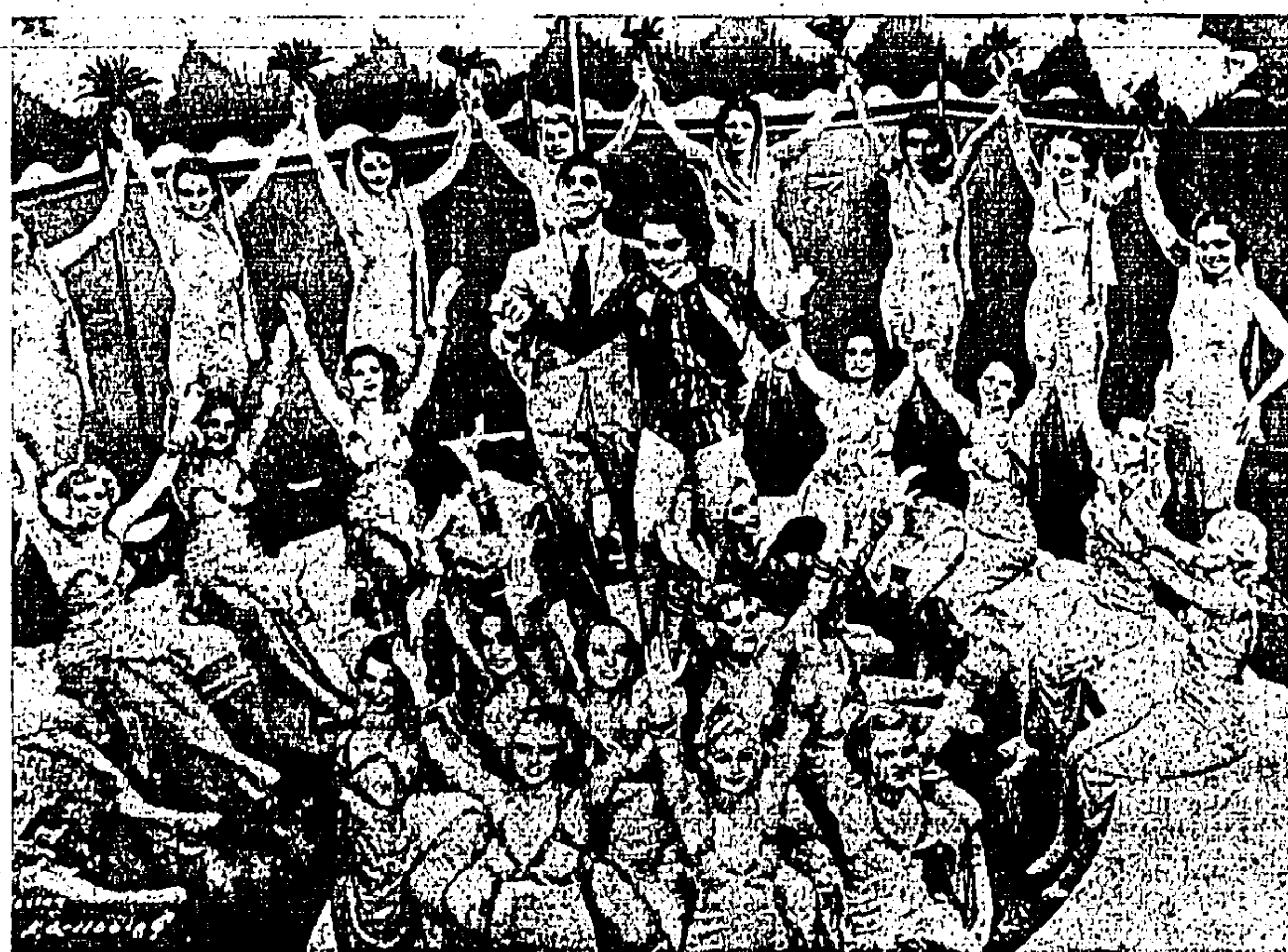
Australia's summer is just ending as ours comes in. But,
as seen in photograph just received, Australian bathing
belles still find it necessary to apply oil to those burning
shoulders.

Smallest Cocktail Set In World

London, Mar. 28.
The latest addition to Queen
Mary's doll's house is a complete
cocktail set, claimed to be the
smallest in the world.

The tray measures two inches
by one-and-a-half inches. The
glasses are one-quarter of an inch
high. Originally there were six
glasses, but they are so small that
one has been lost. There are also
two decanters in the set. The en-
tire outfit is made of a new imita-
tion glass material shown at the
British Industries Fair in London,
where the cocktail set was placed
on view for the first time.

Queen Mary's doll's house was
made by ex-service men a few
years ago and is exhibited on be-
half of charity.—United Press.



Eddie Cantor surrounded by the 1936 crop of gorgeous Goldwyn Girls who cavort with him in "Strike Me Pink",
the comedian's new Samuel Goldwyn Screen musical commencing at the King's Theatre to-day

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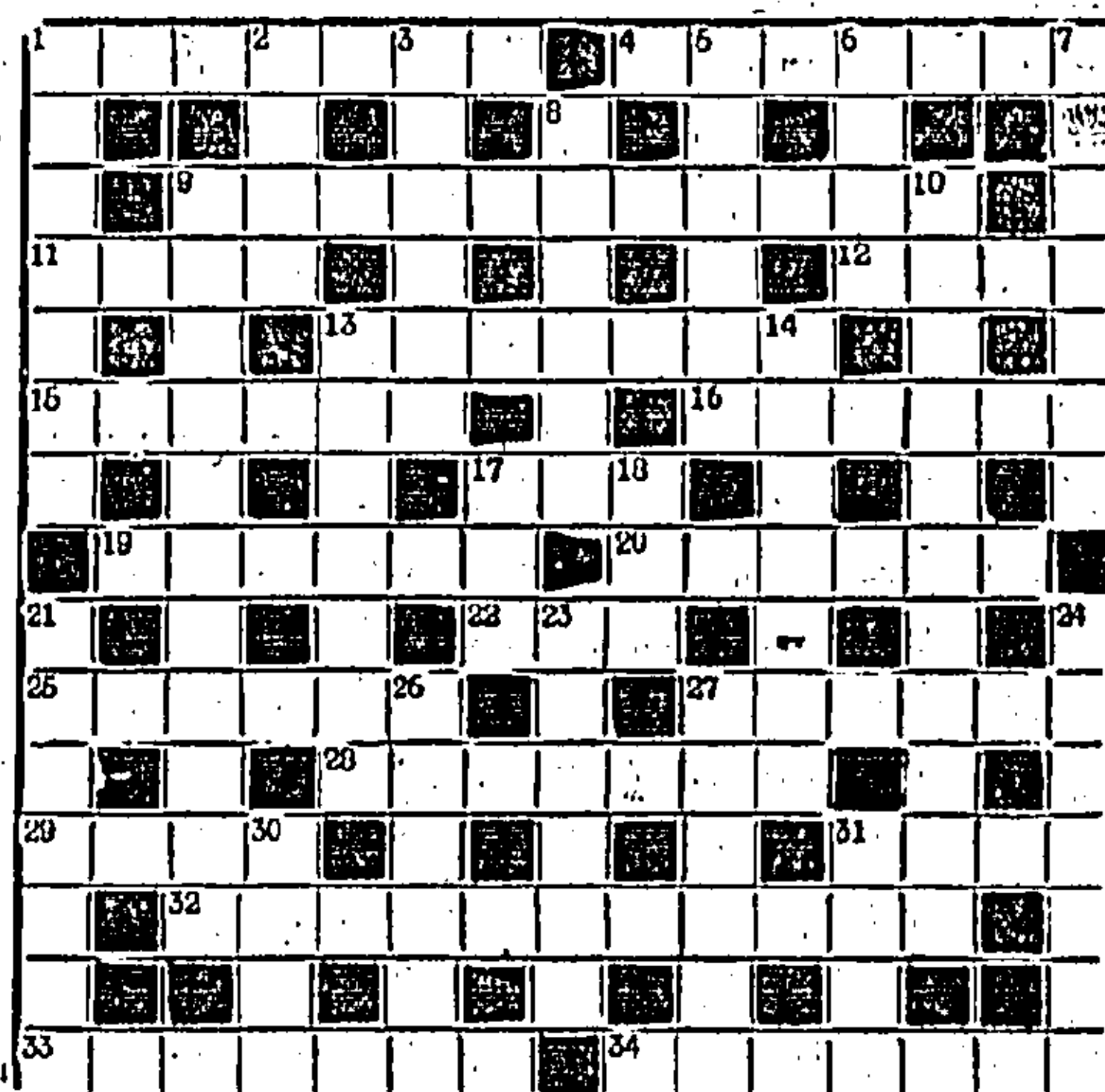
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art ever need counsel? (hyphen,
4 and 7).
- 11 Describes the year 1936.
- 12 Live the wrong way.
- 13 This ancient chieftain sounds as
if he were always looking for
something (two words, 8
and 4).
- 15 The dictator might give rise to
a scare in Rome.
- 16 Found in wood and van.
- 17 The tail of a cart.
- 19 Dumb show.
- 20 Book of the Bible.
- 22 Beam.
- 25 Clear out once.
- 27 Vulgarly refined.
- 28 Shrug, for instance.
- 29 Not one of the chosen race.
- 31 Not all there here.
- 32 Where farmers are sure of a
good crop.
- 33 Figure, not of speech.
- 34 Intended for fags, and not gen-
erally made of wood (two
words, 3 and 4).

DOWN

- 1 Hard lines (two words, 3 and
4).
- 2 Remain in good condition.
- 3 See clue to 22 Across.
- 5 Stage direction.
- 6 An Eastern servant.
- 7 Bob if not as an Oriental might
describe England.
- 8 A magistrate with some hesita-
tion offers a drinking cup.

- 9 Prevents discharge in chatty
cafes (hyphen, 6 and 5).
- 10 It is usually Venus, though it
might be a string oven (hyphen,
7 and 4).
- 13 Made a song about a twisted lip
in a tree.
- 14 Murmur with other half turned
round inside.
- 17 A form of 22 Across.
- 18 You may succeed if you have a
go on.
- 21 Over-indulges tastes not plains.
- 23 Men of parts.
- 24 Bowdler.
- 25 Fear it's mistake mostly.
- 27 Turning-points.
- 30 In direct action.
- 31 Quite a surface impression.

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P I T O H B L E N D E N E T

The next meeting of the Hong-
kong Aquarium Society will be held
on Wednesday, April 8, at 8.30 p.m.
in the Laboratory of the Biology
Dept. of the Hongkong University.

Talks will be given on "Preparing a
breeding tank" and "Subsidiary In-
habitants of an Aquarium." It is
also proposed to discuss the suggested
Constitution and Bye Laws of the
Society.

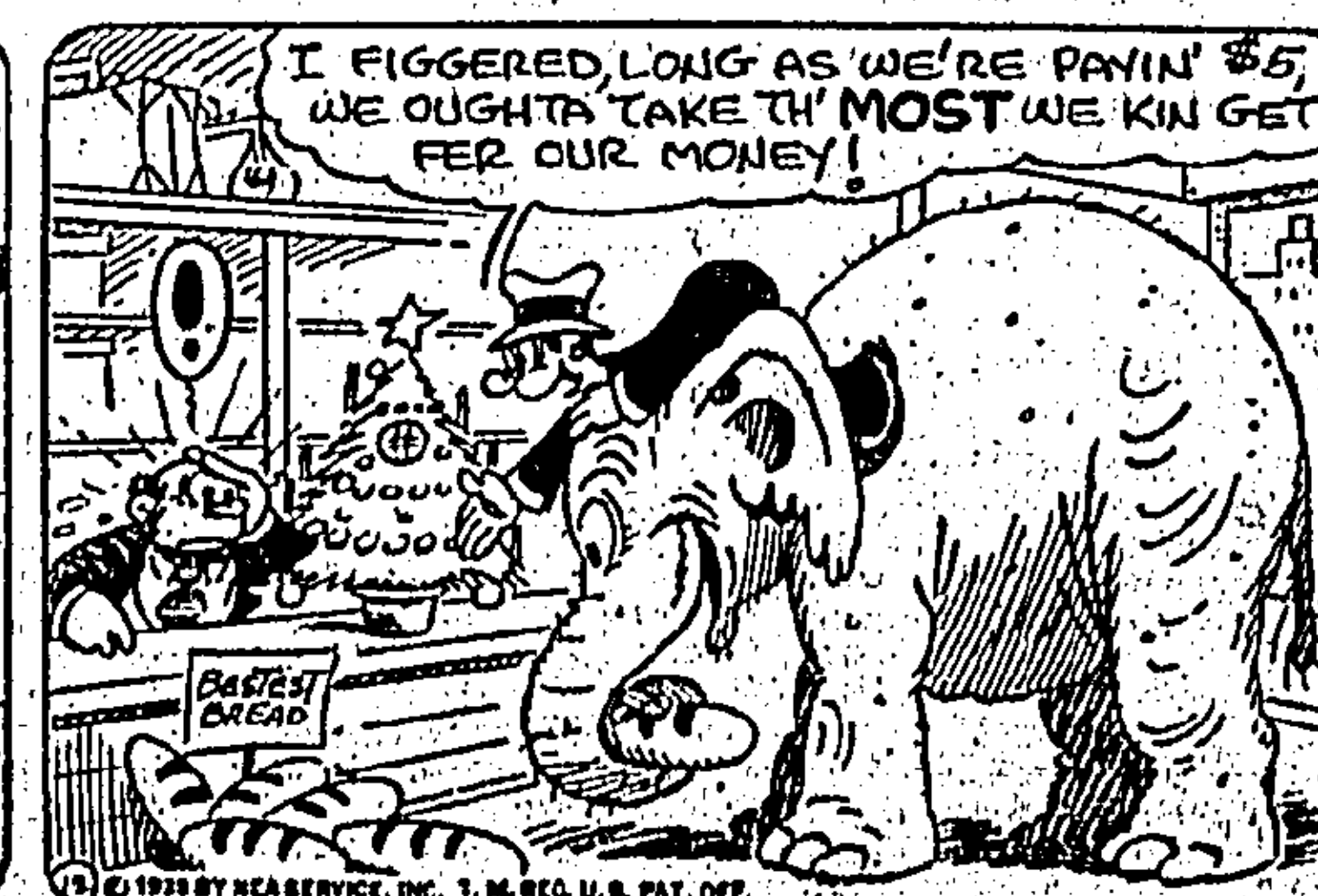
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PLANS FOR THE CORONATION

"KING ANTHONY" FINDS A CAPITAL

HEREFORD, APR. 1. MR. ANTHONY HALL—CLAIMANT OF THE THRONE OF ENGLAND AS ANTHONY I—HAS REAPPEARED IN THIS ANCIENT CITY.

He is to make it his "capital," and has brought with him a comprehensive plan of money reform. Citizens of Hereford have been astonished by his gifts of "Restoration Bonus Notes."

These notes, the size of a ten-shilling note, and printed on pale green paper, are "one dollar (8s.) in value," and are headed "Royal Mint, Hereford," and signed "The Master of the Mint, Anthony."

When he is King, he says he will:

Introduce the new type of money reform; establish the Royal Palace at Hereford; cancel all war debts; abolish death duties, and issue enough money to employers to provide all the workless with employment. "King Anthony" has not proceeded with his "free beer" campaign, which was a strong point at his meetings three years ago.

TEACHER OUSTED: KIDS STRIKE



William G. Paden, whose removal as city school superintendent started a protest in Alameda, Calif., schools that resulted in strike, picketing and a boycott.

Final Choice Of Date Now Rests With Dominions

EIGHT dates in May 1937 have been suggested to the Dominions Governments for the Coronation of King Edward the Eighth.

As soon as the date suitable to the Dominions is known, probably in a few days' time, the Government, which has already made skeleton plans for the Coronation, is to appoint a Coronation committee.

When finally settled, the date will be announced by the Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal of England.

The Coronation of King Edward is likely to differ in several respects from that of his father and his grandfather. The ceremony may be cut by one and a half hours to only two hours.

It is possible that the oath, administered in the form of a question to the King by the Archbishop of Canterbury at the Coronation ceremony, will have to be changed slightly to conform with the altered status of the Dominions and their relation to the King, since the Statute of Westminster (1931).

King Edward is the Sovereign

not only of all his Dominions, but of each one separately. The Irish Free State has been born since the last Coronation.

The form of question to which King George V. answered, "I solemnly promise so to do," was this:

"Will you solemnly promise and swear to govern the people of this United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Dominions thereto belonging, according to the Statutes in Parliament agreed on, and the respective Laws and Customs of the same?"

The chosen day is likely to be a Monday or Thursday.

The success of Jubilee Day, a Monday, makes it probable that a Monday will be chosen for Coronation Day.

150 INDIAN PRINCES

It allows municipal, police, traffic, and transport authorities, as well as the catering trades, one day's respite to make their arrangements.

King Edward's Coronation will be the most fully attended in history. Transport developments of the last twenty-five years have brought the faraway parts of the Empire so much nearer.

It is known that 150 Indian princes, nawabs, and rajahs have already announced their intention of attending.

Dominion and Colonial officers will bear part of the Royal Regalia.

Dominion and Indian troops will be among the contingents escorting King Edward in the Georgian gold state coach.

Before the Coronation there will be a state banquet at the Palace in honour of overseas guests.

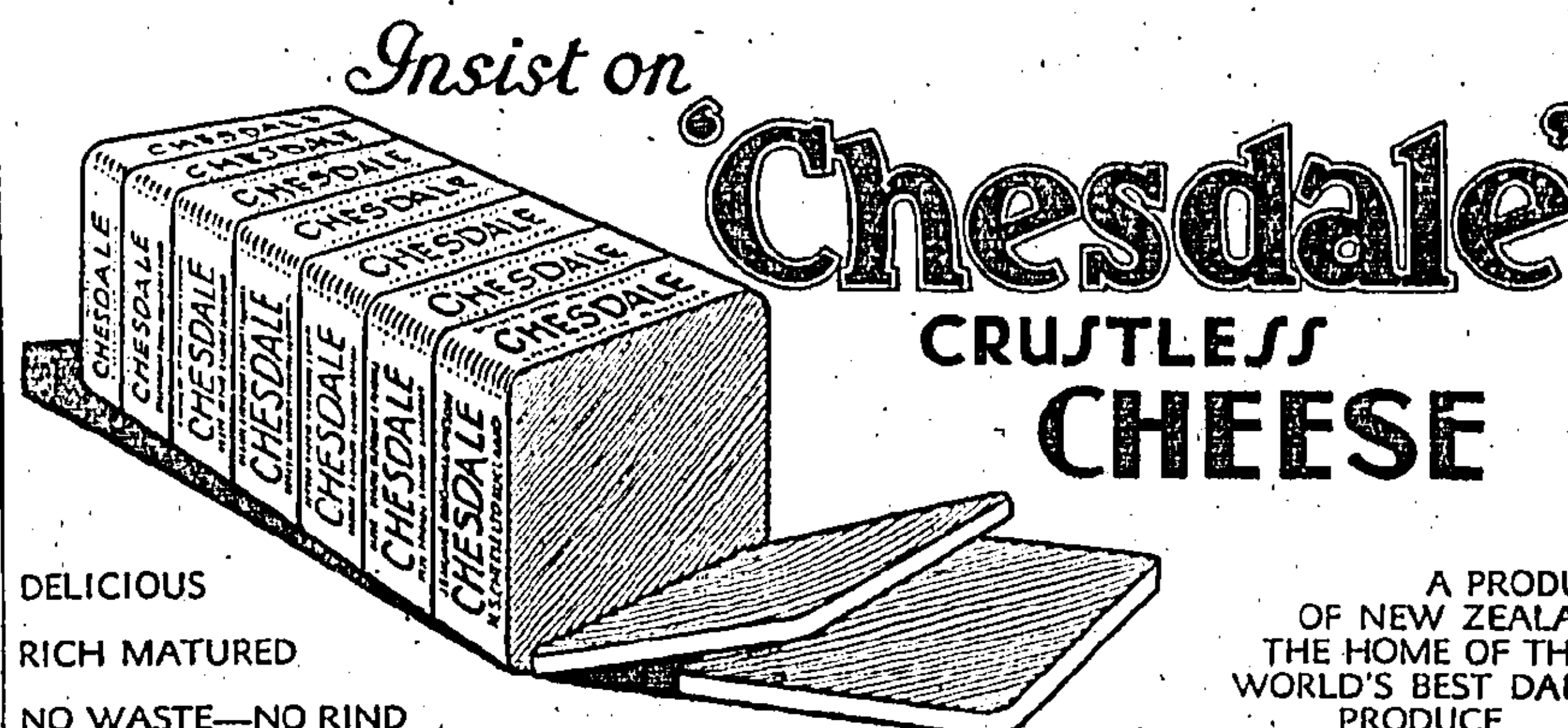
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Addis Beats Diredawa

Addis Ababa, Apr. 1.

FOOTBALL was news here to-day, the first Soccer match for two years—Addis v. Diredawa.

Hundreds of white-robed black men waving spears and swords shouted, "Come on, Diredawa, lay Addis in the dust," and "Beat 'em, Addis, like the Italians."

Addis Ababa won 3-2.

War was news at Diredawa. Reports from the north tell of an Italian post at Emne Hadjer, in Eritrea, surprised, ammunition dump blown up, stores fired; Italian bomber brought down in Wolkay district by Gajamatch Mengestou—*Reuter*.

WOMAN RULER OF 500,000

THE MAHARANEE OF

BASTAR, beautiful twenty-eight-year-old ruler of an Indian State, who died after an operation for appendicitis, was cremated at Golders Green, N.W., last month.

The coffin was carried by four Brahmins—high caste Hindus.

Her husband, a thirty-year-old Cambridge graduate, remained with the coffin all night, praying and fasting. At the cremation he placed his wife's jewels in the coffin and directed that they should be burned. They were valued at several thousand pounds.

The ashes will be taken back to India by the maharajah in an airplane and scattered on the banks of the Ganges.

The maharanee was the absolute ruler of Bastar, the largest feudatory state of the Central Provinces, with a population of nearly half a million.

The palace is at Jagdalpur, the capital.

Her seven-year-old son now becomes ruler, but the State will be governed by British officials during his minority.

NOTED BEAUTY HELD AS "BLUE SHIRT"

Tientsin, Mar. 28.

A famous Chinese beauty, Miss Wang Mei-yu, "Beautiful Jade," has been arrested by the Japanese gendarmes in Tientsin as a member of the Blue Shirts, the dreaded secret organisation maintained by a faction of the Kuomintang.

She was nabbed by the gendarmes as she left the Paris Cabaret in the Japanese Concession where she had gone despite warnings of friends who had been "tipped" that she was wanted by the Japanese although they did not know why.

On the same day, Miss Lin Ching-ho, "Clear Brook," former singing girl and now concubine to a high railway official, was apprehended and held for questioning in the same connection—*United Press*.

£10 GIRL—SLAVES

SCOTS-WOMAN TO RESCUE

Singapore, Apr. 1.

JAVANESE girls were being regularly sold into slavery here for £10 each until, thanks largely to efforts made by the Sultan of Johore and his Scottish consort, the police put an end to the activities of the slave-traders.

The gang used an ingenious system of forged passports and documents, purporting to have been signed by village headmen.

Girls were bought from their parents and guardians and resold to purchasers here.

They were then used to perform menial tasks in the home, and sometimes were forced to enter brothels.

In one case the police became suspicious when five Javanese women arrived here. They were able to rescue three of them just as their purchaser was leading them away.

The other two girls have disappeared, but the police believe they have now definitely broken up the gang.

In a letter to a Singapore newspaper the Sultan of Johore says this traffic has been going on for many years, but it has been impossible to secure sufficient evidence to prosecute the offenders.

"Not only Javanese, but Indian and Chinese girls have been the victims of the trade," he adds.

The Poet Laureate Is Unhappy

ODES TO ORDER

London, Mar. 26.

England's poet laureate, John Masefield, is threatening to rise in open revolt and refuse to write a poem for the coronation of King Edward the Eighth.

The onetime sailor who was named poet laureate by the late King George returned from the United States recently and announced tersely that "odes to order" are not in his line.

Unless he finds an unexpected inspiration he won't write any poem celebrating the crowning of the new monarch more than a year hence. The British press had announced that he was rushing home to start work on the ode to King Edward.

"I don't think any poet should constantly be called upon to write on specific subjects," he said. "In the eighteenth century laureates were expected to write a poem every time the King had a birthday. He then had to read his poem in the presence of all the Maids of Honour."

"After some years the Maids of Honour humbly begged to be excused from the privilege. I am not surprised."

The office of poet laureate is responsible for much of the world's worst literature. Were it not for the laureates, the anthologists of bad verse would be hard put to fill their volumes.

Scouts Meet In 1937

Amsterdam, Mar. 25.

A camp site of 450 acres accommodating 30,000 youths has been selected near the village of Vogelzang for the World Boy Scout Jamboree in the summer of 1937.

The village of Vogelzang is only a short distance from Haarlem at the north of Holland, close to both the English channel and the Zuider Zee.

The camp itself is located against large sand dunes that protect Holland from the North Sea. The surrounding country is typical of the quaint Dutch landscape with dunes, woods and sea on one side and the flat country of Holland on the other.

The Jamboree will be held from August 1 to August 10, 1937.—*United Press*.

An Ethiopian Diary

ABYSSINIAN LANGUAGE IS FULL OF PITFALLS

By H. R. Ekins

United Press Staff Correspondent (Copyright 1936 by United Press)

Dire Dawa, March 3.

Here is a short lesson on the language of the Ethiopians. Webbe means river or river valley and is not a place. It is an important word in this war because so much of the fighting is for the precious water holes.

Moussa is another word tossed around loosely at home. It means mountain—not part of Moslem ritual. Italian columns have moved to the base of Moussa Ali where they are building an airfield for flights over the desolate Danakil desert.

Learning about the language taught us that Naga means tomorrow and that Ishi means okay. Already the correspondents are fed up with Ishi naga—Okay to-morrow just won't do for working newspapers who have deadlines in some part of the world every minute.

Yelem, said emphatically and sharply means no. Owe, pronounced like how with the "H" dropped means yes.

We got into more of the language in attempting to get titles straight. Negus means King. Hence Emperor Haile Selassie is the Negus Negusti—the King of Kings.

Lesser kings over whom he holds sway used to be called Negus but in these days the more favoured title for such men is Ras or chief of first rank.

A high ranking title is that of Dajazmach, meaning commander of the centre or the military arm of government.

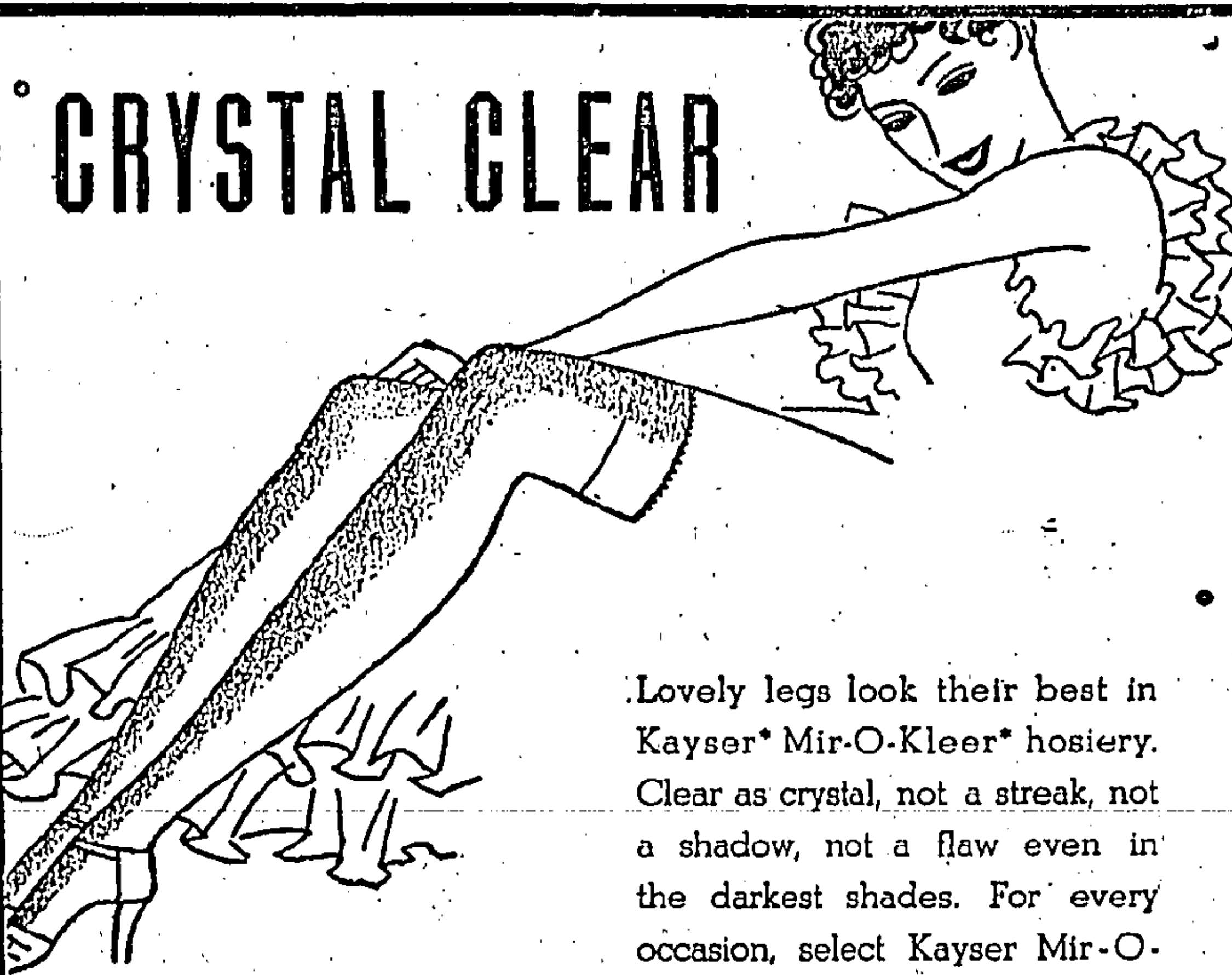
Men called Grazmach head the civil branches of government while judicial authority rests in the Kendezmach.

Next in rank and authority to these greater personages are the Fitourari. They are the chiefs with private, feudal armies numbering about 2,000 men each. There are between 400 and 500 Fitourari in the country.

Attu is a convenient title. It means the honourable. Etiquette calls for its application to men of standing but not of particularly high authority. Government secretaries, men of property, customs agents and so on are addressed as Attu by foreigners of tact.

The word for foreigners, incidentally, is ferangi. Of itself it really means "stranger," but since the Ethiopians have learned to distrust most white men as people seeking to exploit them

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A.D.C.'S NEXT PLAY

"LOVERS' LEAP" TO BE PRODUCED

By way of a complete contrast to their last production, "Musical Chairs," the Amateur Dramatic Club are offering Hongkong theatre-goers a comedy which, for sheer humour, might almost be described as a farce. "Lovers' Leap," by Philip Johnson, is included in the volume "Famous Plays of 1934-1935," having been first produced in Liverpool in June 1934, and subsequently in London in October of that year, when it enjoyed a deservedly successful run. The cleverness of the play lies not so much in its theme as in the wit and sparkle of its dialogue, and in its excellent acting qualities, qualities of which our local amateurs promise to take full advantage.

The play will be presented at the China Fleet Club Theatre on the nights of April 16, 17 and 18, at 9.15 p.m.

The cast includes Helen Prior, Myrtle Brown, Jatin Winer, Donald MacAllister, and E. G. Smith-Wright, who is producing the play.

"Lovers' Leap" does not pretend to be a serious play—it presents no problem and it does not even set out to be entirely credible. It has however all the requisites of a first class and thoroughly laughable comedy, and, in these days of uncertainty and pessimism, the A.D.C. are to be congratulated on the selection of something which will draw no less from the audience, unless they be tears of mirth.

Booking is now open at the Anderson Music Co.

PHILIPPINE GOLD MINING SHARES

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts received the following buying and selling quotations from their Manila Agents this morning:

Benguet Con.	P11.50	11.60
Antamok	1.30	1.35
United Paracale	.40	.42
San Maurelios	.70	.78
I. X. L. S.	1.00	1.05
Masbate	.45	.47
Demonstrations	.41	.42
Big Wedges	.17	.17½

To-day's quotations as received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz after the opening of the morning session of the Manila Stock Exchange are as follows:

	Asked	Bid
Antamok	P. 1.35	1.30
Bugulo Gold	.018	.017
Benguet Con.	11.60	11.50
Benguet Exp.	.014	.013
Demonstrations	.042	.041
Gold River	.005	.004
Masbate	.047	.046
Salacot	.010	.009
San Maurelios	.078	.071
Suyoc	.029	.027
United Paracale	.042	.040

S. C. & F. Gold Share Index—93.0.
Market:—Erratic, subject to sharp fluctuations.
Volume—Pesos 423,000.

ROAD SAFETY

ALL ACCIDENTS TO BE PROBED

London, Apr. 2. As from yesterday, the Ministry of Transport is receiving detailed police reports on the circumstances and causes of every road accident involving personal injury, whether fatal or otherwise.

The enumeration and analysis of the information thus obtained will, it is hoped, yield valuable results in the determination of the main factors of road safety. Beginning next week, the weekly accident statistics compiled by the Ministry of Transport will be issued in the amended form.—British Wireless.

FINE TO CLOUDY

A weak anticyclone lies over China. Depression has become more intense and has moved northeastward, covering Korea, South Japan and the neighbouring seas. The Pacific depression is still indicated to the east of the Visayas, but its position and movement are uncertain. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks.

H. K. Banks, \$155½ n.

H. K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), \$100½ n.

Chartered Bank, \$14½ n.

Mercantile Bank, A. and B. \$31 n.

Mercantile Bank C., \$14 n.

East Asia Bank, \$73 n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$27½ b.

Union Ins., \$56½ n.

China Underwriters, \$1.00 n.

China Fire, \$480 n.

H. K. Fire Ins., \$236½ b.

Internat'l Assoc., Sh. \$3¼.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$36 n.

H.K. Steamboats, \$5½ n.

Indo-China, (Prof.), \$30 n.

Indo-China, (Def.), \$20 n.

Shell (Reuter), 90/7½ n.

Union Waterboats, \$13 n.

Mining.

Antamok, \$2.08 n.

Balabac, \$21½ n.

Raguib Gold, 20 cts. n.

Benguet Consolidated, \$18.10 b.

Benguet Exp. 21 cts. n. and sa.

Big Wedge, 26 cts. n.

Demonstration, 66 cts. sa.

Gold Creek, 16 cts. n.

Gold River, 7 cts. sa.

Igorro, \$1.06 n.

I. X. L. \$1.55 n.

Salacot, 14 cts. b.

Kailan, 11/8 n.

Langkats (Single), \$10 n.

Masbate, 73 cts. n.

Rauha, \$11¼ n.

San Maurelio, \$1.20 n.

Shai Explorations, Sh. \$4½ n.

Shai Loans, Sh. \$4 n.

United Paracale 67 cts. n.

Venz: Goldfield \$3¼ n.

Docks etc.

H.K. Wharves (old), \$92 n.

H.K. & W. Docks \$9 n.

Providents (old), \$1.15 b.

Providents (new), 20 cts. n.

Hongkew (old), Sh. \$190 n.

New Engineering, Sh. \$4 n.

Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$90 n.

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cottons, Sh. \$8¼ b.

Shai Cottons (old), Sh. \$70 n.

Shai Cottons (new), Sh. \$40 n.

Zoong Sings, \$12 n.

Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$25 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$4.12½ sa.

H.K. Lands, \$33 b.

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Shai Lands, Sh. \$18 n.

Metropolitan Lands, Sh. \$10 n.

Humphries, \$9 n.

H.K. Realities, \$5 n.

Chinese Estates, \$82 ex. div.

China Realities, Sh. \$4 n.

China Debentures, Sh. \$60 n.

Public Utilities.

H.K. Tramways, \$10.40 n.

Peak Trams, (old), \$7 n.

Peak Trams, (new), \$3 n.

Sar Ferris, \$84 n.

Y. Saumati Ferris, (old) \$19 n.

China Lights, \$10.35 b.

China Lights, (new), \$7.25 b.

H.K. Electric, \$62 sa.

Macao Electric, \$20 n.

Sandakan Lights, \$8.80 n.

Telephone (old), \$25.15 n.

Telephone (new), \$9 n.

China Buses, Sh. \$11½ n.

Singapore Tractors, 21/- n.

Singapore Prof 28/- n.

Industrial.

Malabon Sugars, \$8.40 n.

Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. \$19½ n.

Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$15 n.

Canton Ice, \$1¼ n.

Cement, \$8.25 b.

H. K. Ropes, \$4¼ n.

Stores, &c.

Dairy Farm, \$19½ n.

Watson, \$4¼ n.

Lane Crawford, \$6¾ n.

Mackintosh, \$5 n.

Sincores, \$2 n.

Wm. Powell, 70 cts. n.

Wing On (H.K.), \$55 n.

Miscellaneous.

H.K. Entertainment, \$4.70 n.

S. C. Entertainments, \$1.85 n.

Macao "Greyhounds," \$2 n.

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The Fifty-fifth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, 22nd April, 1936, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 15th April to the 6th May inclusive.

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L.T.A. ANNUAL REPORT

MEETING NEXT WEEK

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U.S.R.C. The singles title was won by Mrs. Wilson who after losing the first set made a brilliant recovery in the final set with the score 5/2 and 30 love against her. Miss R. Hancock was the runner-up.

The doubles was won by Mrs. Wilson and Miss R. Hancock, who beat Mrs. Kayl and Mrs. Dowling in the final.

The Mixed Doubles was a very popular event run very efficiently by the Chinese Recreation Club. It was again won by Miss R. Hancock and L. Goldman who beat the same pair as last year, viz. Mrs. Chui Chun-chui and H. D. Rumbach in the final.

The Association takes this opportunity of thanking the H.K.C.C., C.R.C., K.C.C. and other Clubs for kindly giving their courts for the use of exhibition matches and championships.

FINANCES

Finance.—The result of the year's working shows a net loss of \$57.66.

Exhibitions netted a profit of \$110.00.

The League showed a profit on working of \$221.72, and this together with \$50.00 from advertisements in the Handbook total \$271.72. In this connection we have to again express our thanks to Advertisers for their support in these difficult times.

Your Executive Committee decided that assistance should be given to certain members of the Interport

to-morrow's Picture

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

Numerous pictures of topical interest will appear in to-morrow's issue of the "Telegraph" Pictorial Supplement. Weddings illustrated will be those of Captain E. Palmer and Miss A. G. Fischer, Mr. A. Marshall and Miss S. F. Mitchell, Mr. L. Fook-shu and Miss Daisy Woo.

There will be several pictures of the King's College sports and the Central British School gymnastic display, as well as others of the Girl Guides' rally. One of the tableaux of the Canadian Institute jubilee celebrations will be pictured and there will also be a group of members of the Y.W.C.A. Division of the St. John Ambulance.

The popular entertainment and feature pages will be included in the Supplement, with results of last week's Children's Competition and details of a new contest.

Teams to Shanghai, and this allowance together with entertainment of our Canton visitors (from which Interport Series no gate was received) accounts for the sum of \$656.78 shown.

Our surplus funds now stand at a figure of \$1,982.41, which is considered satisfactory.

The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews.

TENNIS LEAGUE

Tennis League.—Forty-three teams took part as compared with thirty-seven in 1934. This additional support was a good sign and it is hoped that at least the same number of teams will compete this season. Team representatives are to be congratulated on the keenness they showed in getting all their fixtures played off.

"A" Division.—The Chinese Recreation Club entered two teams as compared with three in 1934. The South China Athletic Association dropped out and the Club de Recreo entered an additional team. The Chinese Recreation Club once more secured the championship, winning all their matches, and have thus won it for four years running. The Club de Recreo were runners-up.

"B" Division.—The Hongkong University Graduates Association did not enter, and the Civil Service Cricket Club and Central British Association, who competed in the "C" Division in 1934, entered teams. The championship, which had been held by Chinese Recreation Club since 1923, was won for the first time by South China Athletic Association, who were undefeated during the season. The Chinese Recreation Club, were, however, runners-up.

"C" Division.—Chinese Recreation Club regained the championship from South China Athletic Association, winning all their matches. The Club de Recreo were runners-up.

"D" Division.—Chinese Recreation Club won the championship of this new division without losing a match, and Radio Sports Club gained the second place.

Mixed Doubles Division.—Ladies Recreation Club, much to the regret of the Association, did not compete. Kowloon Cricket Club entered an additional team. The championship was wrested from the United Services Recreation Club by Chinese Recreation Club, who won all their fixtures.

DAVIS CUP TEAM

WILMER ALLISON APPOINTED TO CAPTAIN U.S. PLAYERS

New York, April 1. The Lawn Tennis Association announced to-day that Wilmer Allison has been appointed captain of the U.S. Davis Cup team. His appointment is due to the illness of Walter Rife, of New York, who was previously named as non-playing captain.—United Press.

FANLING GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Old Course

9.20 J. Rodger, K. S. Robertson.
9.24 R. Young, A. Sommerfeldt.
9.28 H. C. Hopkins, F. M. Ellis.
9.32 E. des Voeux, T. C. Monaghan.
9.36 C. B. Robertson, A. Webster.
9.40 H. F. Sommers, T. J. Draper.
9.44 K. K. Rounds, J. W. Mayhew.
9.48 W. N. A. Smalley, S. F. Langley.

9.52 H. H. Beddow, R. A. Rodgers.
9.56 I. H. Geare, H. H. Mundy.<

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QUARREL OVER
A JOBFIGHT SEQUEL IN
COURT

Five men, Wong Kung, 28, coolie, Choi Yuk-lin, 31, coolie, Lau Lo-tau, 24, painter, Cheung Shui-ching, 32, furniture maker, and Cheung Wing-sik, 24, painter, appeared on remand before Mr. K. Keen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and were each fined \$15, or, in default, one month's hard labour, and further bound over to \$50 each to keep the peace for one year on charges of disorderly behaviour by fighting at Nathan Road on Sunday last.

The third, fourth and fifth defendants were further charged with possessing weapons fit for an unlawful purpose and were each fined \$50, with the alternative of two months' hard labour.

Detective-Sergeant Ellis appeared for the prosecution.

It was alleged that about 10 p.m. on Sunday last the defendants and other men were seen fighting near the Hongkong Fire Station in Nathan Road. Three Indian constables arrived on the scene and the defendants were arrested. The third defendant was armed with a bludgeon, fourth defendant had two strips of iron, while fifth defendant had a file. The last three defendants were found of different furniture shops.

When the men were taken back to the police station the third defendant alleged that the trouble started because he had obtained an order to do a job which the fourth accused had refused. The fourth defendant agreed that that was more the cause of the trouble, but alleged that the fifth defendant had no right to have taken the business away from him.

WIDOW'S QUERY

FORGED NOTE CASE
CONCLUDED

"If a man doesn't know a forged note, how can a woman tell?" asked Chin Chung, 33, widow, when she appeared on remand before Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning on charges of being in possession of and uttering two forged \$10 notes purporting to be issued by the Chartered Bank.

The case had been remanded from yesterday in order to enable defendant to produce two witnesses on her behalf, but they were not in Court this morning.

Further evidence was given by Tang Po, master of a grocery shop, who testified that on March 22 he had changed a forged \$10 for the defendant.

Sentences totalling six months were passed on defendant.

GERMAN VARIETY
SHOWCENTRAL THEATRE
ATTRACTION

A novel light-vision act in a thousand colours, featuring Lydia Haller, is the main feature of the programme to be presented by the German Variety Show appearing at the Central Theatre to-morrow for a short season in conjunction with the screening of the Universal film, "Dangerous Waters".

The show comprises G. Haller, famous trick and comedy cyclist, Lydia Haller and Little Mary, "the girl without bones" who will present attractive acrobatic dances. G. Haller will perform on both a bicycle and a mono-cycle.

The show has performed in leading theatres in Europe, Egypt, India, Singapore and Manila. It arrived from the last-named place a few days ago.

BRITISH MONEY
TO AID JEWSDONATIONS OF \$90,000
EACH SWELL TOTAL

London, Apr. 2.
A preliminary list of contributions to the British appeal for £1,000,000, launched by the Council for German Jewry, exceeds £400,000.

The list is headed by contributions of £90,000 each by the Rothschild family, Lord Bearsted's family and the Simon Marks family.—*Reuter Special.*

GERMAN FORMULA
DENOUNCED

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and will relate only to the immediate situation, pending negotiations.

Meanwhile, Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, has received the French and Belgian Ambassadors at the Foreign Office and has handed them a letter guaranteeing French and Belgian security against aggression if conciliation in the Rhineland crisis fails.

The British Minister gave the Ambassadors another letter which is understood to refer to the political limits within which the scope of the General Staff conversations must be confined.

It is pointed out that the reciprocal obligations provided by the first letter only operate after the three Governments have decided that conciliation has failed.

Eden Meets Von Ribbentrop

Mr. Eden had a ninety minute talk with Herr von Ribbentrop, the German envoy, this morning. The conversation largely dealt with Great Britain's status in the proposed security pact.

Britain will act as a guarantor, as suggested by the German memorandum, or as a participant in mutual assistance pacts, as suggested by the British White Paper.

It is understood Mr. Eden explained the position of the British Government with respect to the German objection to General Staff talks between France, Belgium and Britain. He showed that as arrangements provided for in the military talks would only operate in the event of a German attack upon France or Belgium, and as Germany had excluded such a contingency, the objection fell to the ground.

Mr. Eden also told the German envoy that a British letter guaranteeing the security of France against unprovoked aggression in the event of conciliation failing, was being delivered to the French Ambassador, M. Charles Corbin, this afternoon.

BENEFITS FOR
SUGAR FARMSPROCESSING TAXES
TO BE ABANDONED

Washington, Apr. 2.
Special sugar legislation is taking shape in Congress as representatives of the sugar-producing States study the proposals to maintain production quotas, increase the benefits to sugar growers, and provide revenue for the programme.

Meanwhile, a bill has been introduced in the Senate re-enacting most of the provisions of the Costigan-Jones Act, which, it is held, were weakened by the A.A.A. decision. The bill will eliminate the processing taxes, but will revise the benefit payments to five cents per hundredweight.

Rumours that the increase in sugar quotas are to be more than 400,000 tons are denied officially. It is pointed out that the quotas will undoubtedly be increased, but the amount of the increase has not been decided.—*Reuter Special.*

PRISONER DIES AFTER
ASSAULT

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full of pus. There was no other evidence of disease.

The cause of death was suppurative arthritis of the knee joint.

RESULT OF ASSAULT

Chief Warder J. W. Fitzgerald, of Laichikok Prison, stated this prisoner, Tsui Tong, aged 35, who was serving a term of nine months, was transferred from Victoria Gaol to Laichikok on December 2, 1935. At 10.30 a.m. on February 28, the prisoner was admitted to Laichikok Prison Hospital, suffering from a wound on the right leg. The wound was regarded by witnesses as having been caused through prisoner having been assaulted by another prisoner, whose name was given to the authorities.

The prisoner was attended by Assistant Hospital Supervisor Free-Edwards, and Dr. Henry, of the Kowloon Hospital. After attending the prisoner, Dr. Henry recommended his immediate transfer to the Government Civil Hospital. Witness identified the body at 9.30 a.m. today.

At this stage, the inquiry was adjourned until Friday, April 17, at 2.30 p.m.

INCOGNITOS AT
Y.M.C.A.ENJOYABLE CONCERT
LAST NIGHT

Last night at the European Y.M.C.A., an appreciative audience had the pleasure of being entertained by the Incognitos Concert Party. The concert was arranged by the producer, Mr. R. H. Lewis, who is to be congratulated on the excellent and variety of the turn.

The programme, which ran continuously without a hitch, opened with two chorus numbers by the full cast, followed by Mr. C. R. Trickett, who later joined in a dual turn with Mr. Williams. Messrs. Collins and Warwick then entertained the audience with some eccentric dancing and a well-executed hornpipe, after which an encore with their humorous cross-talk, "Pop" Bolam, who as a dame would be an asset to any pantomime, gave a well-appreciated female impersonation turn later in the programme.

Mr. H. Hazeldine, an excellent tenor, delighted his audience with "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life," as also did Mr. D. Mills with "Roses in Picardy." Mr. J. Williams gave an excellent impersonation of George Formby and Mr. Mansfield pleased the audience with his "Smiling Through." Mr. Collins introduced a novelty number with his club swinging, and Messrs. R. Bowler, E. Horgan and "Pop" Bolam kept the audience simmering with laughter by their humorous nonsense.

The Melody Trio gave a loudly applauded number, after which the full cast sang in a very tuneful finale. At the conclusion of the programme, Mr. E. F. Sell thanked the artists and Mr. Lewis, on behalf of the audience for the very enjoyable concert.—*Contributed.*

MORE BANISHEES

SEVERAL GET GAOL
TERMS

Charged with having returned from banishment before the expiration of their terms, four unemployed men were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Wong Sheung, aged 22, pleaded that he had returned to find a job. He was banished for ten years on March 12 this year. He was arrested in Johnston Road, Wanchai. Sentence of nine months' hard labour was imposed. Chin Man, aged 42 years, was sentenced to a twelve months' hard labour. Defendant was arrested in Wing Fung Street, and was serving a period of ten years dating from August last year. He admitted having returned before. Ma Ming, aged 30 years, banished for five years in September 1933, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour. He stated he was a cripple and had returned to borrow \$7 from his mother. Crown Sergeant MacDonald prosecuted.

SNATCHER SENT
TO GAOLCAUGHT BY FRIEND
OF VICTIM

Sentence of five months' imprisonment was passed on Lam Siu, 36, unemployed, by Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning for snatching a handbag from Miss Cheung Fung-lin, 25, of No. 8 Somerset Road, in Queen's Road Central yesterday.

It was stated by Sub-Inspector Mist that whilst the complainant was walking along Queen's Road Central, near Possession Street, defendant came up from behind and snatched her handbag. A friend, Wong To-kwen, was walking a few feet ahead at the time, and, on hearing her shout, he took up the chase, eventually catching the defendant some distance away.

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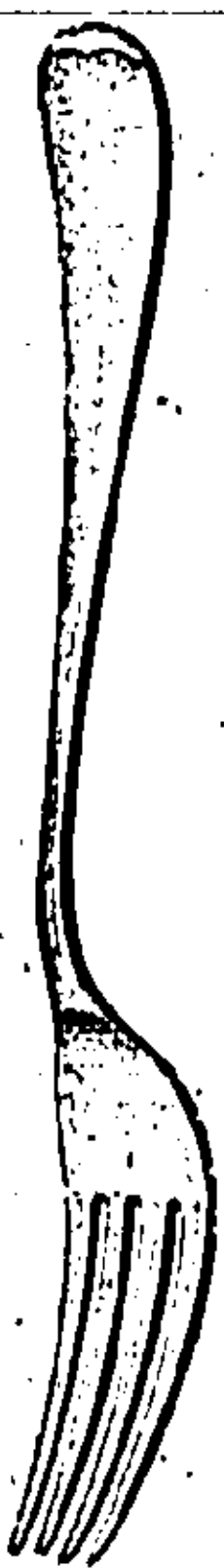
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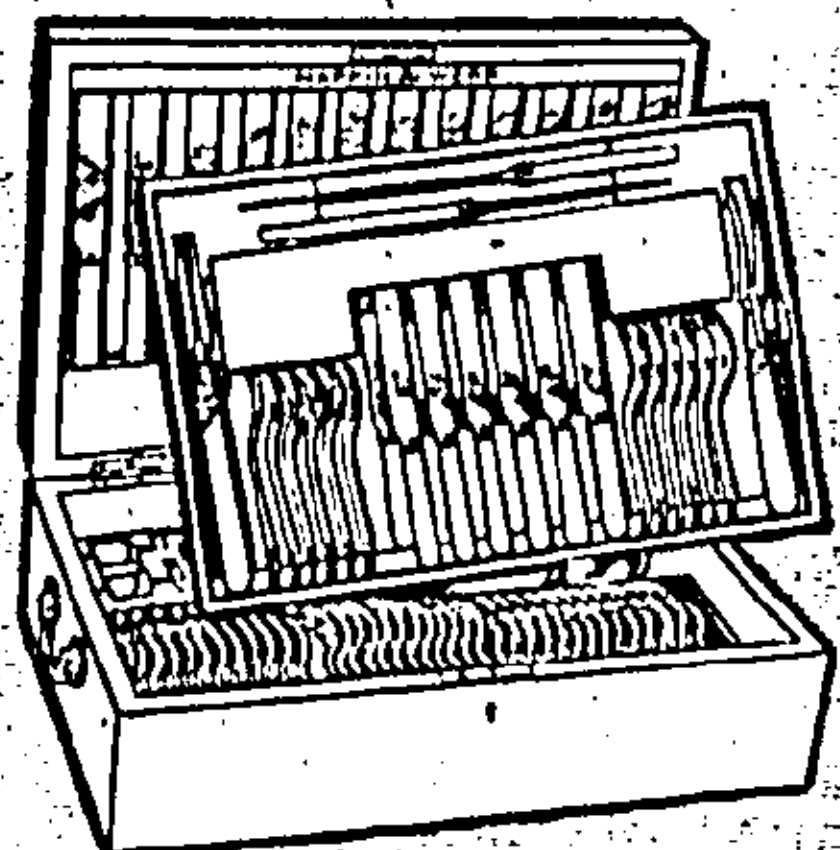
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GERMANY'S TERMS

So complicated and hedged about with reservations as they are, the German proposals for the pacification of Europe demand the closest scrutiny before it can be determined whether they are likely to be productive of concrete results. It is, however, clear, both from the tone of the memorandum and from certain constructive proposals advanced, that there are elements in the document which, if explored to the full, might well form a basis for further deliberations. Doubtless the next step will be to seek elucidation of various points raised, in which connection it is fore-shadowed that Britain will most likely proceed along these lines. Much of the German reply is taken up with a defence of the re-occupation of the Rhineland and the denunciation of the Locarno Pact. In these respects, the Note adds nothing to the already known attitude of the German Government. So far as the making of a definite gesture at this stage is concerned, all that Germany is prepared to do is to refrain from increasing her military strength in the Rhineland and from moving her troops nearer to the frontier, provided France and Belgium are willing to act similarly. This, in effect, means that Germany takes the stand that the fait accompli with which she dramatically faced her neighbours recently cannot be modified in any way. Regarding the denunciation of the Locarno Pact, it is stated that Germany would have been prepared to respect its provisions if the other signatories had done so, but the point that it has not yet been determined by anybody, except Germany, that the Franco-Soviet Treaty is an infringement of that Pact is completely ignored. It is true that the League has decided that Germany is guilty of a breach of treaty, but that, it is worth noting, was not the point suggested for reference to the Hague Court, which was whether or not the Franco-Soviet agreement justified German denunciation of the Locarno understanding. Although no mention is made of Russia in the Note, it remains clear that Germany is still determined to leave the Soviet out of any discussions or agreements envisaged—a course which makes it difficult to see how any lasting European accord can be expected. Loss of confidence

COLONY HUNT: 1936

By Lionel Birch

Economic Intelligence Officer, League of Nations Union



Italy leaves land uncultivated in Sardinia while she fights in Abyssinia

A CASUAL paragraph in one of the evening papers last week informed people in England that Poland finds she cannot possibly do without a colony. First Italy, Japan and Germany, and now Poland: One begins to wonder where, and more particularly how, this process will stop.

It is possible to point out, of course, that a colony wouldn't

NOTES OF THE DAY

AUSTRIA'S TURN

Dr. Kurt Schuschnigg has announced his country's intention to reorganise its fighting forces and to create an Army whose strength is far beyond the limit set by the post-war protocols governing these matters. But we do not feel disposed to criticise. Of all the Central Powers, Austria has probably had greatest cause for complaint since the close of hostilities in 1918, and yet has been one of the most amenable. She has been torn by revolt; she has suffered horrible episodes of civil strife; she has starved. But always she has trodden carefully, and since the present political alignment commenced functioning, she has acted in all affairs with commendable diplomacy. All about her great fighting forces have grown up, notably beyond the Carpathians, and to the south and north as well. With the re-armament of Germany an accomplished fact, and probably with Italian support in prospect, Austria perceived no great risk in announcing the reorganisation of her defence forces. It is probable Hungary will attempt to do likewise. We must admit that what is fair for one seems likewise fair for another, and yet the feelings of the Little Entente must be considered and it would be folly to allow a situation to develop which might create serious tension in the Balkans if, by some simple remedy, it could be prevented. It is time that the security and sovereignty of these lesser European states were re-insured in order that they do not grow hysterical and rush to arm themselves and thus add to the already dangerous turmoil of European politics; and perhaps precipitate the very contingency they hope to guard against.

in Germany's good faith, resulting from unilateral denunciation of treaties, is apparently answered by the proposal that an international court of arbitration should have competence in respect of the observance of any agreements reached, its decision to be final. In the face of this suggestion, it is not easy to appreciate Germany's disinclination to submit the Franco-Soviet Pact to the Hague. But if there are many aspects of the German reply which need clarification, and whilst the absence of a definite contribution is regrettable, there will be a widespread hope that the proposals will be further explored, with the dominant objective of achieving the main aims which the German Government professes to be its policy.

help Italy, or Germany, or any emphasis in 1926, when Japan or Poland. Colonies never after returning from a visit to have helped these countries North Africa, he remarked:

"We are hungry for land because we are prolific and intend to remain so." The colonial problem is highly complex. It has many ingredients—the desire for control over (as opposed to the desire for access to) the sources of raw materials, the desire to obtain assured foreign markets, the feeling or the fact of being overcrowded, the craving for prestige.

BEFORE the war Germany fed a large part of her population with food from overseas territory which she did not need to own; and but for the intervention of the war she could have continued to do this.

From the point of view of raw materials, colonies are very seldom the right colonies. An overwhelming proportion of the most important raw materials, e.g., coal, copper, cotton, iron ore, petroleum and steel, are produced mainly from territories other than colonial territories.

Italy, for instance, obtains hardly any raw materials from colonial territories controlled by one of the great Colonial Empires. Italy's raw materials are obtained chiefly from other Sovereign States.

True, these cold facts do not prevent Italy from continuing to demand colonial territory as "an economic necessity." But perhaps, by this, Italy means that she must have an outlet for her surplus population?

Signor Mussolini put this point of view with his custom-

ary virility.

And why does Mussolini punctuate his complaints that the country is already overpopulated with demands for "a maximum of births"? The reason seems to be that, somewhere around 1925, Mussolini was seized with the notion that the Italians were a race of

unique virility.

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ONE recalls the reported words of Mussolini to the French Ambassador last autumn: "If you brought me Abyssinia on a silver plate I would not accept it; for I am resolved to take it by force."

While land is lying uncultivated not only in Sardinia but also in Italy itself, we can hardly say that Italy is overpopulated. No doubt after much coaching, the Italians have come to feel overpopulated. And it is important to distinguish between a real and an imaginary overpopulation problem; not because the imaginary problem is likely to provide a less potent incitement to fight, but because the two problems demand a different kind of solution.

Even assuming that Italy were really over-populated, she could not ease her troubles by conquering Ethiopia.

The same sort of thing is true of Germany. Some Germans demand the return of the ex-German colonies, because Germany must have an outlet for her surplus population, ignoring the fact that the number of Germans accommodated in 1913 by the German colonies was about 18,000.

Nevertheless, the matter cannot be left where it is.

The spectacle of, for instance, Britain saying to Italy or Germany: "Anyone who likes is at liberty to go and get raw materials from our colonies," and leaving it at that, is not unlike the spectacle of a wealthy industrialist saying to a bankrupt competitor: "Anyone is at liberty to walk into the Ritz Hotel and order a dinner there." Very likely they have some money with which to pay the bill.

GERMANY and Italy have no money to pay the bill. They are quite at liberty to walk up to the British Empire and order as much rubber or tin as they like. But they cannot pay for it. They have equal opportunity of purchase; but they have not equal ability to purchase.

The reason is precisely because there is not an equal right for Germany and Italy to sell: firstly, to the particular colonies or countries from which it desires to import, and, secondly, to other countries, by means of which it could discharge its indebtedness. In a tariff-ridden world, equality of access to raw materials is a barren privilege.

It is as though we were saying about the dissatisfied nations: "We are perfectly willing to allow other countries to have our raw materials, provided that they can pay for them. But they cannot pay for them."

If the countries of the world were to abolish their preferential, and lower their protective, tariffs, the whole economic basis of the dissatisfied countries' complaint would be removed. On the other hand, it may be doubted whether these countries would be satisfied by any such technical equity.

WHAT seems to have happened is that in Germany and Italy a certain number of influential people have made up their minds that, for reasons private to themselves, they must have colonies. The overpopulation cry and the complaint about access to raw materials look very much like polite afterthoughts.

Colonies, to some people, appear in the same light as diamond rings and pearl necklaces. The people next door have colonies. The Joneses have colonies. Then why not we? In essence it's a matter of prestige.

It's all very well for people who own half the diamonds in the world to say, "There's nothing in diamonds." It's a new attitude to diamonds that we'll be needing. And a new attitude to colonies.

SIDE GLANCES By George Clark



"Hey, Eddie, shall we charge admission for Annie's little brother?"

The Frock Coat, Banished From Court, Is Dead

BY A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE Frock Coat is dead—killed by the King's decree, banished from the backs of Household officials.

The few people who still own frock coats will, I am sure, be glad. A frock coat was not just a garment—as Oxford bags are garments. It was a regalia. It demanded a private income to maintain it.

It is the last of its own regalia to go. The stiff linen shirt and cut-throat collar which tortured the Victorian martyr who wore them went long ago.

The stiff cuffs—either detachable or bobbed by owner when returned well-frayed from the laundry—have gone forever, as has the fine sport of "shooting" them before the club fireside.

The black stock has gone—modern girls probably make a couple of summer evening frocks from its broad acres.



Spats are also going.

Spats are going. The last spat I saw in Great London was worn by a Belgian journalist, catching up with fashion steadily but surely.

The pearl or diamond tie-pin has gone. Again a matter of up-keep, and to some extent the fact that banks and businesses have to publish balance sheets to prove their prosperity. A pearl tie-pin does not convince to-day. Imitations are too good. I talked to an old lady who spans the Victorian, Edwardian, and Georgian periods by being sixty-four years of age.

She waved a charming hand at the imaginary cortege of the frock coat.

"My dear, I am delighted to see the dear thing go. Nowadays people have to travel on buses, no matter what their incomes."

"Can you imagine the tiresome job of getting out of a bus with every one sitting on your frock coat?"

"People have greater ideas of usefulness and hygiene to-day. The silk hat is going. On great days I always trot up to Piccadilly to smell the naphtha coming from the hats of those on their way to the party. All the silk hats have been 'put away' since the previous party. Only bishops and schoolboys really wear silk hats daily these times."

"These are hurried times. My father used to take most of the morning, and the help of most of the household, to dress."

"EXIT PEACOCKS"

"Dress used to mean rank. To-day anything beyond neatness means that a man has nothing else to do. Men have ceased to be peacocks."

"My husband used to ride in the Row wearing those narrow trousers which were fastened under the instep with elastic. That fashion started no earlier than the frock coat. Yet there is no man brave enough to wear such things to-day."

"Men and women to-day have great sense in the matter of clothes. The old idea seems now to me, in retrospect, to have been the more merrier. Thank heaven, we now wear our clothes instead of carrying them."

"The silk hat is so handsome that it is bound to stay for years for the great occasions, but it is all the Victorian days will have left to us of their 'impossibly ample wear.'"

ALBERTA'S MUDDLED FINANCES

CONVERSION MAY BE COMPULSORY

Edmonton, Apr. 2. The Alberta Administration's Compulsory Conversion Bill, which gives the Government the power to issue perpetual securities, was presented for its second reading to-day.

After the third reading the Bill becomes law but it is capable of being held in abeyance until the Prime Minister, Mr. A. B. C. Macdonald, chooses to proclaim it officially.

The new Bill was presented a few hours after the province of Alberta had defaulted on the \$2,200,000 bonds maturing on March 31, and provides for the conversion of every bond issued by the Government of Alberta ever issued.—United Press.

15TH CENTURY MASONIC TOAST TO CONTINUE

London, Mar. 16.

A Toast used as early as 1412 in Scotland and used in England since the early days of the 18th Century is to continue in use by the Grand Masonic Lodge of the Scottish Constitution.

The Earl of Harwood presiding at the Lodge this week made the announcement that it should be continued.

The Toast in question is "King and Craft."

Two Killed In Plane Wreck

TRI-MOTOR MACHINE CRASHES IN N.Y.

(Special To "Telegraph")

Buffalo, Apr. 2. An American Airline passenger plane, on the Buffalo-New York run, crashed to-night two miles east of Pavilion, N.Y.

First advice to the Buffalo police state that the pilot and one passenger were killed. Pavilion lies between Buffalo and Rochester.

The plane was one of the Airline's tri-motor ships, and it crashed in a blinding snowstorm which settled to-night over sections of western New York state.

Police believe the dead men are Sanford L. Underwood of Sydney, a Buffalo suburb, the pilot, and F. Z. Steinberger, 22, of the Bronx, New York City.

Details of the crash are lacking but a telephone call to the farmer on whose land the plane dived disclosed that the big tri-motor machine was a mass of wreckage.—United Press.

"I SERVE" REMAINS MOTTO

KING OF ENGLAND'S IDEAL OF DUTY

London, Apr. 2.

His Majesty the King received addresses from privileged public bodies to-day, in which condolences were expressed on the death of the King, his father, and congratulations on his own accession presented.

Among the leaders of the deputations presenting the addresses were the Lord Mayor of London, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and Archbishop of York, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, as Chancellor of Cambridge University, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, and Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

Replying to the addresses, His Majesty said: "As Prince of Wales I adopted the motto: 'I serve.'"

"As King I hold there is no higher function than to serve."

"I shall strive for the peace of the world and for the betterment of industry and agriculture in this country that everyone may have a chance to work, a right which every citizen should enjoy."—Reuter Bulletin Service.

END OF MOURNING

London, Apr. 2.

In connection with national mourning for late King it is authoritatively stated King Edward and Queen Mary would approve after Easter return to wearing of colours by general public.—British Wireless.

NEW ZEPPELIN DELAYED

BUT NEARS END OF MAIDEN VOYAGE

Friedrichshafen, Apr. 3.

The new dirigible, Hindenburg, was out over the south Atlantic to-day on its maiden voyage to South America from Germany.

She encountered a 75-mile an hour gale over the Bay of Biscay on her first day out from her home port. She states in a wireless message that this gale so delayed her that she would be unable to reach Rio de Janeiro before midnight to-night.—United Press.

CANADIAN TRADE COMM. DEPARTS TO-DAY



Major V. E. Ducloux, M.C., Canadian Government Trade Commissioner in Hongkong, who is proceeding to Canada by the Empress liner to-day. During his leave he will take up with Canadian exporters various points with a view to overcoming difficulties encountered in establishing trade connections in Hongkong and South China. (Photo: Kolzu).

CORRESPONDENCE

Volunteer Machine Gunners

(To The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—I am very sorry indeed that "Ex-Volunteer" has seen fit to misconstrue my statements as set out in my letter of 31st. March. I did not single out the American Company of the S.V.C. merely quoted the caption under the picture. The rest of my remarks concerned the S.V.C. as a whole. "If this picture portrays them in action," I did not say that No. 3, M.G. Company were the first line of the Colony's defence, or that they were the only members of the Corps who realised the value of concealment.

I cannot agree with "Ex-Volunteer" that the correct placing of the gun numbers is a minor detail. It is an essential factor even as a thorough knowledge of the mechanism.

Whether a man has the guts to keep the gun in action in the face of an advancing enemy is a question entirely for the man behind the gun, but I venture to suggest that those who would funk the real thing are in a very small minority. No man knows how he will act under fire until he has actually experienced it.

MACHINE GUNNER.

PRINCE'S CHOSEN BRIDE

Tokyo, Apr. 3.

The Nagoya Shimbun says that Miss Maruko Kuroda, once selected as the prospective bride of an Ethiopian prince, is soon marrying an aeroplane engineer, Fuyushiko Yosokura, and that her father, Viscount Kuroda, has announced the engagement.—United Press.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

THEY CALL HIM THE WISEST MAN TO WHOM MIND THAT WHICH IS REQUIRED AT ONCE OCCURS.—Cicero.

A woman, Yuen Fing, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries received when she was knocked down by a tramcar in Queen's Road East.

A boy, Leung Chi-kong, aged three years, residing at No. 84, Tin Ho Street, was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday suffering from scalds, caused when he accidentally fell into a tub of boiling water.

The defendant pretends to be both deaf and blind, but I had to do an obstacle race to catch him," said Crown Sergeant Macdonald when prosecuting Lai Kai, aged 58 years, with hawking vegetables without a licence at Jardine's Bazaar, before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy. Defendant admitted the charge and was fined \$4.

Eight Holders appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy, this morning, charged with trespassing on Crown Land, to wit on the foreshore at Stanley. The defendants had each erected a structure on the beach, and were living there with their families. They were fishermen. Mr. W. E. Hollands, of the P. W. D., asked that defendants be cautioned, and an order made for the destruction of the structures. Mr. Schofield cautioned defendants, and ordered them to pull down the structures within 48 hours.

Criticises U.S. Silver Programme

HARMFUL TO TRADE WITH CHINA

New York, Apr. 2. Mr. George B. Roberts, Vice-President of the National City Bank of New York, in a speech to the Academy of Political Science here to-day, said the stability of values was important to trade relations, and that prices must be permitted to find their own natural levels.

Criticising the silver programme, Mr. Roberts said that the apparent objective was to acquire monetary silver at a price of \$1.29 per ounce. It must be acknowledged, he said, that the higher prices of silver had failed in their objective because they had not raised the Chinese purchasing power.

The value of Chinese imports had declined 24 per cent in 1934 and 11 per cent more in 1935, which had caused resentment in a friendly country.

Secondly, he said that the higher prices had weakened the United States' monetary base, adding to the stock of the white metal, which would stress as likely to be an unavailable asset.

He said that the silver policy and the resultant disturbances were obstacles to any currency agreement.

He urged the United States to co-operate with China to discourage silver exports from China, and thus restore the conditions under which China was a continuous and large importer.—United Press.

RADIO BROADCAST

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From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles):
4-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.
6-6.30 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

7-7.33 p.m. "Quartet in C Major" (Mozart) played by the Lener String Quartet.

7.33 p.m. The Hill Billies.
The Hill Billy Band; Mc and the Old Folks at home; Jump on the Wagon; Little Mountain Cabin; Pop-Eyed Pete.

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Stock Quotations.

8.05 p.m. A Recital by Richard Crooks (Tenor).
1. A Dream of Paradise (Grieg);
2. O Song Divine (Temple); 3. Too Late to-morrow; 4. Macushla (Rower).

8.18 p.m. Violin Solos by Albert Sandler.
1. Estudantina—Waltz (Waldteufel);
2. Dolores—Waltz (Waldteufel);
3. The Child and his Dancing Doll (Haydn); 4. Spanish Serenade (Haydn).

8.30-9.20 p.m. A Relay from Davenport.

9.30 p.m. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
9 p.m. Davenport News Bulletin and Announcements.

9.20 p.m. From the Studio.
A Talk on "The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children" by Mr. G. F. Martin.

9.25 p.m. Light Opera Gems.
Chu Chin Chow (Norton); Song-Arcady Is ever Young ("The Arcadians") (Monckton); Winnie Melville (Soprano); The Maid of the Mountains (Fraser-Simson).

9.45 p.m. The J. H. Squire Celeste Oetel.

Phantom Melodist (Hope); Souvenir (Mr. Willoughby); La Cinqquantaine (Marie); Gavotte—from "Mignon" (Thomas); Andante in G (Baltiel).

10 p.m. Big Ben.
10-11 p.m. From the Studio.
Dance Music by the "Semreh" Dance Orchestra of H.M.S. "Hermes" conducted by Bandmaster Jack Gale; by kind permission of Captain the Hon. George Fraser, D.S.O., R.N.

11 p.m. Close Down.

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Transmission 1
(G.S.B., G.S.G.)
2.15 p.m. Big Ben. The Composer at the Piano—9.
2.40 p.m. "Young Ideas." A programme for anybody and everybody with young ideas.

3.10 p.m. Arthur Young and his Youngsters.
Greenwich Time Signal at 3.15 p.m.
3.45 p.m. Talk: "Imperial Affairs," by H. W. Hodson.

4 p.m. The News and Announcements.
4.20 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 2
(G.S.B., G.S.G.)
7 p.m. Big Ben. The B.B.C. Welsh Orchestra.

7.45 p.m. "All Fairs, Please!"
Greenwich Time Signal at 8 p.m.
8.15 p.m. A Reading from "The Tale of D'Urberville," by Thomas Hardy.

8.30 p.m. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
9 p.m. The News and Announcements.
9.20 p.m. The Birmingham Hippodrome Orchestra.

9.45 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 3
(G.S.B., G.S.G.)
10 p.m. Big Ben. Geiger and his Orchestra.

10.30 p.m. An Aristocratic Revue.
11.15 p.m. The Philip Whitley Ensemble.
12 a.m. Talk: "The Space of Life."
12.30 a.m. The Hotel Metropole Orchestra.

Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.
12.50 a.m. The News and Announcements.
1.30 a.m. Vocal Serenade.
1 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 4
(G.S.B., G.S.G., G.S.C., G.S.O.)
1.15 a.m. Big Ben. The Hallé Quartet with Lala Corda.

2 a.m. The News and Announcements.
2.20 a.m. Dance Music.
2.30 a.m. Brass Band Concert.

Greenwich Time Signal at 3 a.m.
3.30 a.m. "Young Ideas." A programme for anybody and everybody with young ideas.

4 a.m. A Recital by Samuel Katcher (Violin).
4.15 a.m. Talk: "Ocean Travel as it was and as it is." by Jerry Kinn.

4.30 a.m. The B.B.C. Orchestra (Section D).
5.30 a.m. Fred Hartley and his Novelty Quartet.

5.45 a.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 6 a.m.
6.5 a.m. "Out of Doors"—"I try to see all things as the sun sees them, as the sun shines." Compiled by Henry Williamson.

6.20 a.m. Chamber Music.
6.45 a.m. Close down.

"TWO ANIMALS"

TIGERS REPORTED AT KOWLOON TONG

According to police reports "two animals," thought to be tigers, were seen in the Kowloon Tong district yesterday evening about 6.50 p.m. The report states that "two animals, each about three feet high, very dark or black in colour" were seen by three Europeans, an Indian constable and a Chinese constable on a hillside behind No. 1 Kent Road, Kowloon Tong, about 6.50 p.m. yesterday.

It is understood that Inspector W. R. Chester-Woods went out to investigate but owing to the lateness of the hour nothing much could be done.



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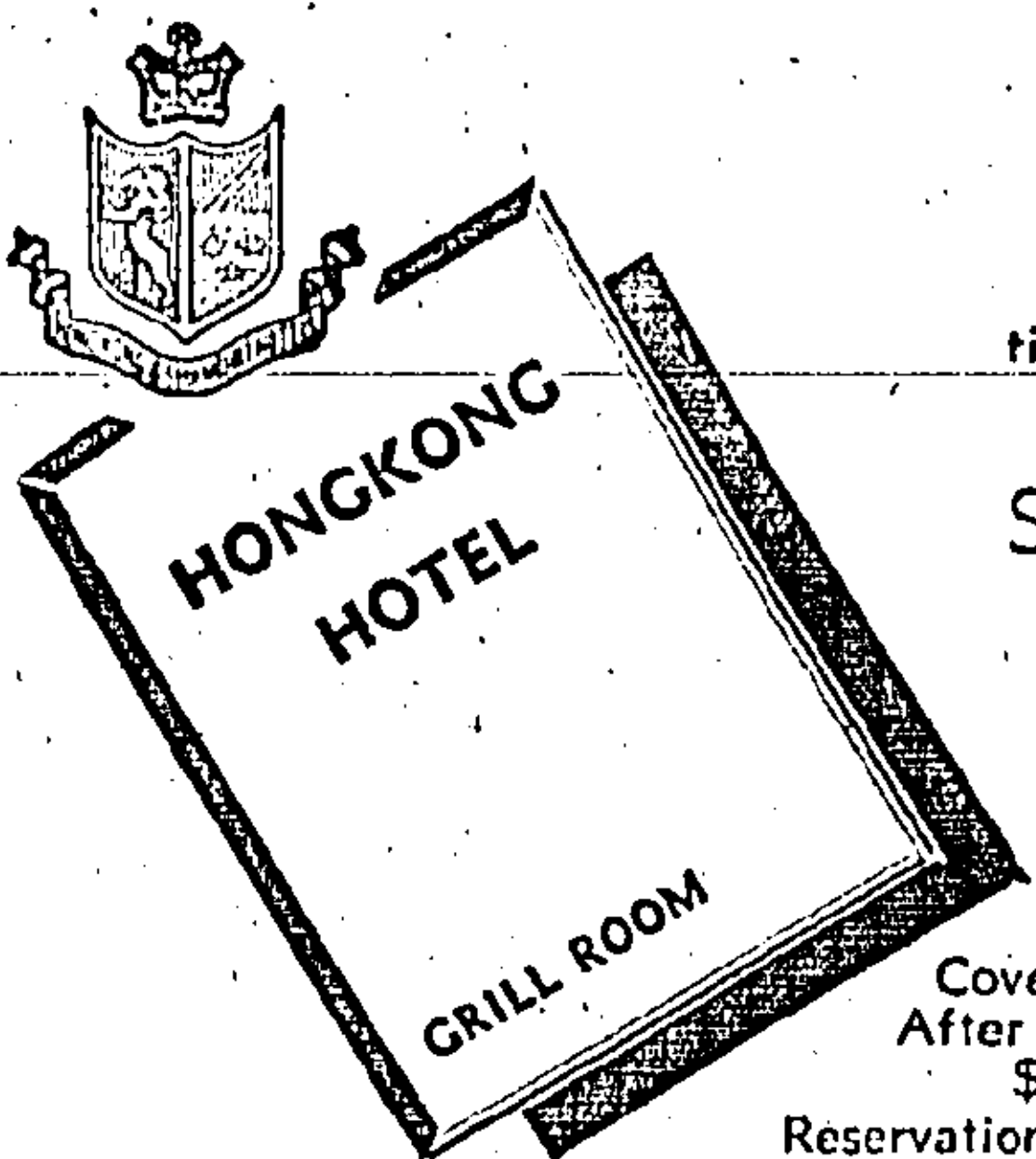
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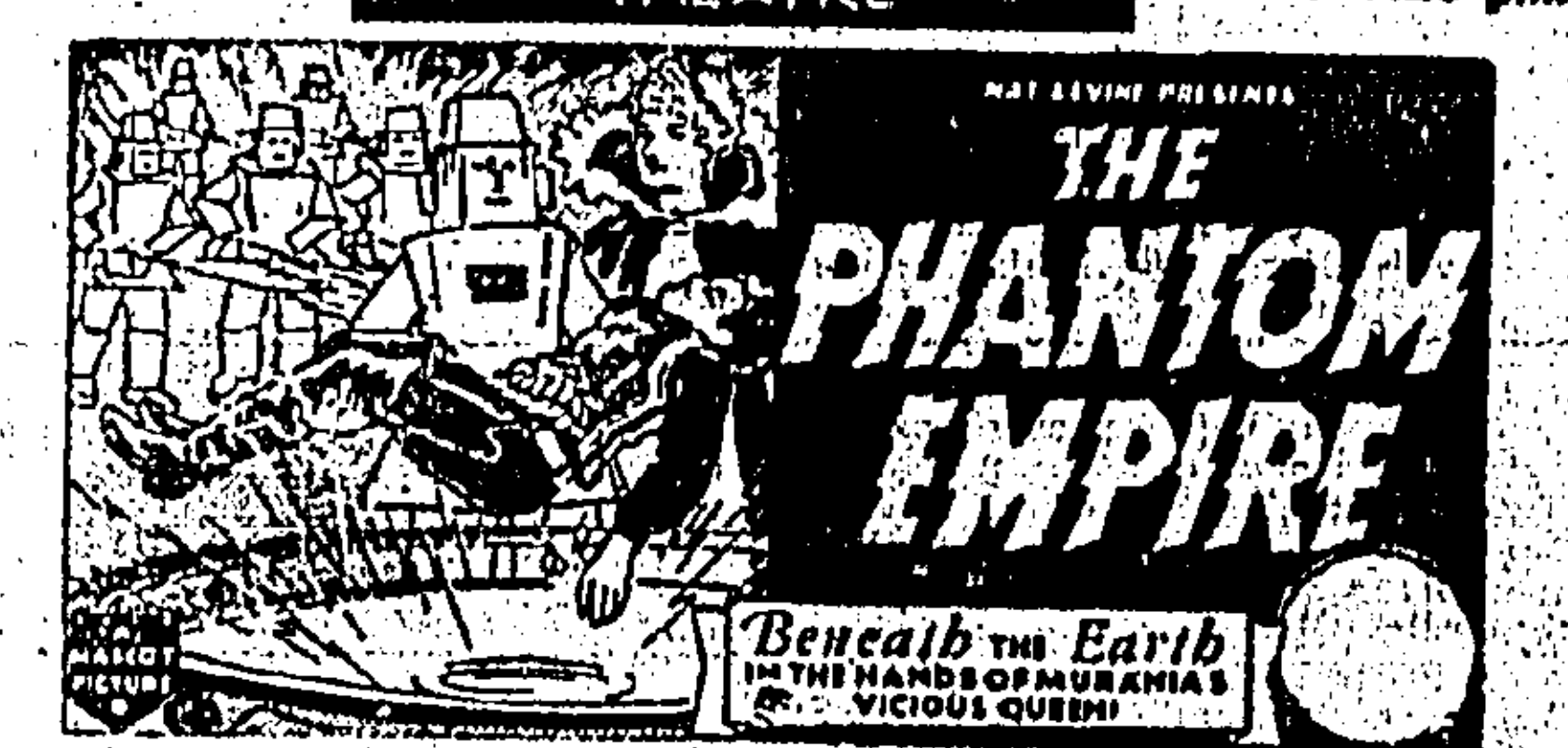
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(FIRST CHAPTER)

Next Change. **PHANTOM EMPIRE** FINAL CHAPTER

FOOTBALL, TENNIS, CRICKET AND RACING

"CAPTAIN FOSTER" TELLS YOU ABOUT THE SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING

Favoured with glorious sunshine and on a firm going, the salient features of the Second Extra Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club held last Saturday at the Valley were the astonishing performance of King's Warden in the Mira Bay Handicap "A" Class, when he lowered the racing record of Ribble by four seconds, and the fast running in every other event.

The change from a soft to hard going was responsible for a few upsets, and the lowest dividend for a win in the afternoon was \$12.80 paid by King's Warden. The best was \$104.10 handed out by Pontiac Bay for a minor place only ridden by the feather-weight jockey, Mr. Choy Wing-chiu in the delight of 14 backers. In the "Daily Double" the combination of Mayflower and Rousseau paid \$78.60.

Mr. Dietz was certainly in a happy mood registering four wins which included a hat-trick; his best achievement was on Tiny Star, when he won the main event, the Sub-Griffins Spring Handicap over 1 1/4 miles confined to Subscription Grifflins of any season. The jockey Mr. Dietz taking out Tiny Star instead. It was rumoured that the allotment of lead to Rose Evelyn, who was second on the list, did not meet with the approval of those connected with the race but I cannot see how the refusal can in any way influence the Official Handicapper, in his framing of weights for the next outing.

Space does not permit here to scrutinize the work of the gentleman in charge of pounds but I am sure that all will agree that he has always given a square deal to every owner. By way of interest I might mention that last year, Shooting Star after winning a Five Furlongs event in record time on May 18 was promoted to "A" class and in her next outing, the weight adjuster gave the mare a few extra pounds over weight for inches. Shooting Star refused to accept on the ground that she was only a sprinter and what not, and as usual Mr. Alves would not accept any circumstances except the lady's argument. She did not appear in public for a long while. However, there was no other alternative but to accept and Shooting Star carrying 160 lbs. came in third in the Nullah Nullah Handicap over a mile run on November 2, beating Racing Heart 157 lbs., Bar Tar 158 lbs., Gold Morning 135 lbs., Derby Day 151, and Saucy Pace 162 lbs. Her next outing was second in the St. Leger over 1 1/4 miles and after that she became reconciled to the handicapper.

Let us get back to the race. Tiny Star carrying top weight won the event of the meeting in easy fashion and paid the best "div" for a win namely \$68.80. It was on account of the lead that the experts could not place their confidence on Tiny Star and his running of the distance in 2:30.2/5 was an eye opener. It must also be admitted that the jockey-timed Tiny Star to a nicety but if Wadbridge had reserved a little stamina for the home run, instead of taking the lead, I do not think he would have suffered defeat of two lengths. A Young Champ gave a very poor display and I am afraid that the third favourite, Racing Boy, former public idol, has seen his best days.

When the list of runners (all entries accepted) for the Mira Bay Handicap "A" class over a course from the two mile post, one round and in, was published on the telegraph board, there was a talk among the experts that the race was going to be a fast one owing to the presence of Soldier of Britain; nevertheless one would never have dreamed that the record of Ribble's time for this distance would be lowered by four seconds.

At the release of the barrier, Soldier of Britain did the running being chased by King's Warden with Cyclamen Bay, Herod, Diana Bay and the rest following. There was no change in the order up to the 2 mile post, but it could be seen that Cyclamen Bay was labouring as the pace was too hot.

The distance from the 2 mile Post to the mile pole is 171 yards and Soldier of Britain covered it in 11 1/2 seconds. From the mile to the quarter post, he covered the distance in 20 1/2 seconds and going up the rock, he was fully over ten lengths ahead of the field. The jockey, Mr. Rosa, was plugging King's Warden with his long legs and the gap between these two ponies was filling up. However, the jockey, Mr. Rosa, was plugging King's Warden with his long legs and the gap between these two ponies was filling up.

When entering the straight for the home run, Soldier of Britain was under pressure and was only about two lengths ahead of the Australian champion. Before reaching the distance post, Soldier of Britain was beaten by King's Warden, who took command of the field for the first time, with Diana Bay behind, going strong. King's Warden started his bad habits by pulling up from the mile but with the full use of the whip, the pony kept a pretty straight course, and managed to pass the finishing line ahead of Diana Bay by a neck. Another ten yards Mr. Dunbar's Diana Bay would have secured the verdict.

Mr. Dietz set a terrific pace the intermediate quarters being 11 1/2, 20 1/2, 29.4, 30.3, and 31.1. The last mile was negotiated in 1:57 and King's Warden, who was chasing the leader must have covered the circuit at least in 1:56 as against the record of 1:55 established by Diana Bay on April 17, 1935. The jockey, Mr. Rosa rode

a very hard race on the slugs, King's Warden and it will certainly be some time before this record, namely, 2:08.2/5 will be broken.

ROSE EVELYN'S ALLOTMENT

Said To Have Caused Dissatisfaction

It came as a big surprise when the name of Rose Evelyn was not exhibited on the telegraph board for the main event, the Sub-Griffins Spring Handicap over 1 1/4 miles confined to Subscription Grifflins of any season. The jockey Mr. Dietz taking out Tiny Star instead. It was rumoured that the allotment of lead to Rose Evelyn, who was second on the list, did not meet with the approval of those connected with the race but I cannot see how the refusal can in any way influence the Official Handicapper, in his framing of weights for the next outing.

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Jessa Willard rose to world championship heights in the fight game 20 years ago, and now Jessa Willard Jr. is stepping along in athletics, although he doesn't box. He's counted on for hurdle, discus and football backfield work at Washington State College.

FANLING RACE MEETING

To-Morrow's Event

The additional meeting to have been staged at Kwantl on April 5 has been abandoned and in place thereof, the Fanling Race Club will hold an unofficial meeting of three races to be run to-morrow afternoon commencing at 3:30 sharp. The main event is the Ambulance Cup over a country course of approximately three miles and the other two races are over the same circuit. My selections for the three races are as follows:

THE AMBULANCE CUP
No Fear
Spinaway
Glenshee
THE LADIES' RACE
Burgomaster
Daylight Eve
Racing Plack
THE DOWBIGGIN TROPHY
Diogenes
Jack O'Lantern
Mortmain

Ambulance Cup Sweepstake Draw

The draw for the Hongkong Ambulance Cup Sweepstake took place yesterday evening at the Sports Club in the presence of a number of ticket holders.

Altogether 29,000 tickets were sold, the first prize being \$13,010.20, the second prize \$3,890.34 and the third prize \$1,945.17. The five unplaced entries (starters or not) will receive \$432.25 each.

THE LUCKY NUMBERS
The lucky numbers drawn together with their ponies are as follows:—
Numbers: 32077, 14701, 42423, 20427, 26011, 29953, 34809.
Ponies: Glenshee, High West, No Fear, Spinaway, Soldier of Italy, Spinaway, That's That, The Mink.
Ten numbers for the consolation prize were also drawn, each to receive \$50.00. After the draw—\$204, 220, 20652, 13340, 26462, 24018, 30047, 31385, 11477, and 26170.

MR. LI LEAVES NOVICE CLASS Strathroy Runs Very Well

Mayflower's jockey Mr. Li was very lucky to emerge from the novice class and had King's Sceptre taken the outer channel. Mr. Taylor would have registered his first win in the Commonwealth Handicap "C" Class. Rounding the bend, the field with the exception of half-a-dozen ponies was clustered together and the silk of King's Sceptre was not seen until after the mile post—\$204, 220, 20652, 13340, 26462, 24018, 30047, 31385, 11477, and 26170.

It was no disgrace to Strathroy to finish second in the Calliope Handicap "A" class for Australian Ponies, as he had to concede 21 lbs. to the winner Electron and it may interest one to know that the first two ponies are this year's youngsters. Vixen Tor, the red hot favourite, let the punters down very badly and really cannot understand the running of this mare. She had a pull of 7 lbs. from Strathroy and she was never in the race at all. It was a fast race and Electron could have broken the record time of 1:45 but it would not be official, owing to the fact that he was carrying less than weight for inches.

BIGGEST FIELD IN TAIWAN BAY HANDICAP

The biggest field of the afternoon was in the Taiwan Bay Handicap for "D" class ponies over six furlongs and the line-up of 16 runners gave no end of trouble to the starter Mr. Potts. Boxing Eve as usual did not behave himself and after a delay of few minutes, the tape was released. It was a fair start, Boxing Eve taking the lead with Belmont Star, Yihon, Philanderer, Double Chance, Rousseau and the rest of the field following. In the straight it could



The St. John's Hostel team, winners of the Hongkong University Inter-Hostel tennis tournament for 1935-36. (Photo: Ah Fong.)

LEE WAI-TONG NOT TO PLAY TO-MORROW

BEING RESERVED FOR SUNDAY'S MATCH WITH RECREIO

PORTUGUESE WITHOUT LEFT WINGER

(By "Veritas")

South China "A" have still a long way to go before they can claim the first division championship, but should they win their three engagements scheduled to be played between now and Thursday next, they will have accomplished the major portion of their task.

They have two encounters for the week-end, but the only one on Sunday when they entertain Recreio. Lee Wai-tong is being rested on Saturday so that he can return refreshed to the team against the Portuguese.

Recreio also have a match on Saturday which may tend to minimise the seriousness of South China's opposition on Sunday.

In this match it is not certain whether Ip Pak-wa or Tay Qua-liang will play on the left wing in company with Lee Wai-tong. Tay is playing outside left on Saturday against R.A. (Leymun) with Ip Pak-wa as his partner.

Other departments, however, will remain the same for both matches. Against Recreio on Sunday South China will be—Wong Wing; Li Tin-sang and Tam Kong-pak; Lau Hing-choi, Leung Wing-chui and Lee Kwok-wai; Tso Kwai-shing, Tio Hian-gwin, Fung King-cheung, Ip Pak-wa and Tay Qua-liang.

Against Royal Artillery to-morrow South China will be represented by Wong Wing; Li Tin-sang and Tam Kong-pak; Lau Hing-choi, Leung Wing-chui and Lee Kwok-wai; Tso Kwai-shing, Tio Hian-gwin, Fung King-cheung, Ip Pak-wa and Tay Qua-liang.

S. CHINA "B"'S STRONGEST

Best Side Available Against Navy

South China "B" are fielding what they regard as their strongest team to oppose the Navy at Caroline Hill to-morrow. There has been some reshuffling in the forward line. Cheuk Shek-kam going to inside left with Ng Po-kui on the wing.

Leung In-chan is retained in the intermediate line with Lam Tak-po and Ho Yung-choi colleagues. In defence Chung Chee-ying remains at right back partnered by Yu Hing-yuen. The team therefore will be—
Pau Ka-yin; Chung Chee-yin and Yu Hing-yuen; Leung In-chan, Lam Tak-po and Ho Yung-choi; Cheuk Shek-kam and Ng Po-kui.

RECREIO WILL BE WITHOUT ALVES

For Both Week-End Engagements

Recreio are turning out their strongest team available for both week-end matches. Alves, the left winger is the only doubtful starter; otherwise the side will be the usual personnel, with A. V. Gosano back in the defence.

At the time of writing it is not known who will fill the left wing position, although Marques is suggested. The same team will operate for both matches which are against R.A. "Stonewallers" to-morrow and South China "A" on Sunday.

The probable team will be:—
Marques; A. V. Gosano and Bowen; Dolgado, Beltrero and Marjano; Con-tillo, Campos, B. Gosano, Gomes and A. Ochoa.

CHAMPIONS BEATEN

R. E. SCORE A GREAT WIN

K.I.T.C. AT SEA

(By "The Pilgrim")

Royal Engineers Marnak League hockey team accomplished their finest performance of the season when yesterday at Caroline Hill they defeated the K.I.T.C. league champions, by the odd goal in three, after being a goal in arrears.

The Sappers fully deserved to win, making a splendid recovery and finally outplaying the Indians. The K.I.T.C. included four Army representative players, yet for the most part the team played unimpaired hockey and lost to a better combination.

Play in the first half was somewhat scrappy, but after 20 minutes Pinto opened the scoring for the champions. Nine minutes later Wood, R.E. right winger took the ball down and centred beautifully. Ramzan in goal stopped the ball, but it rebounded into play and Corner, dashing in from the left, scored a brilliant goal to equalise.

In the second half the K.I.T.C. were all at sea, the forwards, with the exception of Pinto and Souza being right off form. The Engineers proceeded to take command of the game and after 15 minutes Collins received from Captain Foley and pushed the ball into the goal through a crowd of players. Very much elated the Sappers continued to dominate the exchanges and penned the Indians in their own half for the remainder of the match.

For the winners the three half backs played splendidly, while prominent among the forwards were Collins, Wood and Corner. K.I.T.C. were best served by Kishen Singh, Tio Sing and Baidan Singh in defence and by Pinto and Souza in attack.

This result leaves the Marnak League championship a very open matter. R.E. lead the rest with 10 points from 11 matches, but Argonauts and Badminton are somewhat better placed, the former with 12 points from eight matches and Radio with 14 points from nine matches.

BADMINTON ST. ANDREW'S "B" WIN

Beat Sailors And Soldiers

St. Andrew's "B" gained their third win of the season in the men's doubles division of the badminton league when they played Sailors and Soldiers. It was a closely contested match by the odd game. Scores:—
H. Harris and W. Brown (S. and S. Home) lost to P. Dawson and L. E. Kirby (S. and S. Home) 2-1; J. A. Hamilton and F. V. Wong (S. and S. Home) lost to White and N. A. Mackay (S. and S. Home) 2-1; C. Burgess and W. J. Merritt (S. and S. Home) lost to Dawson and Kirby (S. and S. Home) 2-1; A. Edwards and Yung Chan (S. and S. Home) lost to Kirby and Dawson (S. and S. Home) 2-1; H. Harris and W. Brown (S. and S. Home) lost to Kirby and Dawson (S. and S. Home) 2-1.

Clapton Orient obtained two third division football league points to-day when, playing on their own ground they defeated Millwall by one goal to nil.—Conty.

FINCHER-HUNG

Easy Winners

TOY WITH GOLDMAN AND PEARCE

(By "Veritas")

It didn't need a mastermind to appreciate what tactics Fincher and Hung were going to employ yesterday to beat Goldman and Pearce in the open doubles championship; and by the same token it didn't require more than three games to realise their objective would easily be attained.

In cold figures Fincher and Hung won 6-0, 6-4, and for once those cold figures don't lie. Four games the losers obtained and four games they were with on the day's display. Disappointing, I'll admit; but a fact.

From Willie Hung's opening service he and Fincher made Alice Pearce a target for every conceivable shot, be it drive, volley, lob, smash, half-volley, drop shot, or what you will. And Pearce, comparatively inexperienced match player, could not withstand such a barrage, especially as some of the shots were gems in themselves and would have taxed the ingenuity of a first class player.

PATHTIC WATCHING BRIEF

But it was pathetic to see Goldman forced to hold such a watching brief. At times the ball came his way, and it only required those occasions to demonstrate how sensible were the winners' tactics. Goldman made the majority of his returns winning shots. When he could get in for one of those favourite interception volleys he rarely failed to score outright.

Pearce tried his hardest, but he hadn't the stroke equipment at his disposal. Furthermore Hung and Fincher raised their game up to just the level required. Hung, showing marked improvement all round, scored consistently with good cross-court drives and well timed volleys. His service too was keen enough to keep the receivers on the defensive.

Fincher, playing almost without blemish, delighted with some cheeky half-volleys taken with the ball at his instep, while his volleying and overhead were impeccable. His forehand is still cramped and ungainly, but he boasts the virtue of being consistent, and usually obtains enough pace from it to permit an advance to the net.

EASIEST THING IN THE WORLD

There is no need to recapitulate the story of the exchanges. The winners were on top from the start, and by clever though not brilliant tennis worked their way out to a love set as though such things were the easiest things in the world. At that period Pearce was at his worst, missing simple volleys and making rather a painful mess of overhead "kills". Goldman was made to watch the slaughter in a dazed sort of way. To illustrate the passive part he played one need only to remark that except when receiving service he did not touch the ball during the first two games.

The losers made something of a show in the second set, and twice broke through service. But they were always trailing and the end came quite naturally in the tenth game of Pearce's service.

Brightest features about the losers' work in the second set were some useful smashes by Pearce and some perfect stop volleys by Goldman. But the inconsistencies were always there and Fincher and Hung merely had to bide their time, sustaining a stream of accurate shots.

Our Daily Golf Hint

Keep the left arm straight and firm, not only on the back-swing but throughout the down-swing until the follow through has been effected.—G. Collet Vane.

CRICKET NOTES

RECOVERY OF CIVIL SERVICE

MARKED FEATURE OF THE SEASON

(By R. Abbot)

One of the marked features of this season's cricket has been the recovery of the Civil Service who for the past two seasons have been easily the weakest side in the first Division. They are now third in the table and I fancy will stop either there or fourth accordingly as fixtures are or are not played off. It is an excellent thing for cricket as a whole that this side or that should not fade out of the picture. The Civil Service's win over the Club was an excellent performance even when one admits that the Club had only four members of their strongest side (at the beginning of the season) playing.

At no time that I can recall in cricket out here have the Club been so at a loss for players. Bowlers are always apt to be scarce, but they have recently lost A. C. Beck, C. K. Hillwood, Duckitt, T. A. Pearce and Crowder. On Saturday last they had to take the field with only Hayward, Owen Hughes, McInnis and Kilbee of the regular first. On the other hand it must be remembered that most of the second eleven members of the H.K.C.C. would obtain a place in the Civil Service last year. Actually the Club batted first and did very well. Hayward was much slower than usual over his knock and obviously was anxious to take the edge off whatever bowling there was before his later batsmen came in. And he did it very successfully.

Owen Hughes had a very bad patch recently and managed to pick one that never got up more than six inches. The wicket, by the way, was very bad indeed from what I hear. It has not been good at any time this season but it seems to have been worse than usual.

But runs came thick and fast at the end of the innings. Forbes played a slashing innings but was very lucky at times and he did not play nearly such attractive cricket as did N. P. Fox who hit very cleanly. I gather that of his 41 he took 21 in the last over of Richardson's (there was a no ball I believe) and in the middle of it might have been caught by Baker who did not the latter tripped over the front of the temporary tennis stand. Fox had eight fours and a six in his 41 not out.

Hayward very properly declared at 175 and the evening, which should have been ample. But weak bowling and fielding rather upset matters, and Richardson once more came off brilliantly. He should have been taken at mid-off from a hard drive when about 25 but thereafter he never looked back.

Perry and McLellan were both out in hitting across to try and force the pace, and actually things were not too brilliant when the fourth wicket fell at 140.

Baker came in and made one run of the 64 put out while the run was his off. Richardson scored his last sustaining a stream of accurate shots.

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L. T. A. ANNUAL REPORT: MEETING NEXT WEEK

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association will be held in the Board Room, South China Morning Post Building, on Thursday, April 9, at 5:30 p.m. for the adoption of the annual report and accounts, the election of officers, to discuss tennis league matters, and any other business.

The Executive Committee has issued its annual report and statement of accounts, which in part reads:—
League Matters.—The League was as usual the chief feature of the Association's programme and proved very popular. It was successful owing to the ever increasing number of tennis players and consequently teams entered. It was found necessary to introduce a new division (D). This gave many young members the opportunity of competing in league tennis, and it is hoped to continue with this addition this season. Our thanks are due to the Central British Association for their very kind presentation of a Shield for this Division.

Interport.—An invitation to send teams to Shanghai for the Interport series was received, and your Committee decided to accept, although it was known that only a weak team could be fielded. We were unsuccessful.

Championships.—The Open Championships for men were again organised by the Hongkong Cricket Club under the auspices of the L.T.A. The Singles Championship was regained by the old champion S. A. Rumjahn who defeated G. R. M. Rio-ketts in the final.

S. A. and E. D. Rumjahn again won the doubles, for the glorious successive year—a wonderful record. Runners-up were Ho Ka-lau and W. C. Hung.
The Ladies' championships were also well managed by the

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Charles Dickens' A TALE OF TWO CITIES

Adapted by LEBBEUS MITCHELL

SYNOPSIS—Jarvis Lorry of Tellson's London Bank goes to France with Lucie Manette whose reputedly dead father has been rescued by an old servant, Defarge, after eighteen years' imprisonment in the Bastille. The coach of the Marquis of Evremonde runs over and kills a child in front of Defarge's wine-shop. Reaching his chateau, Evremonde finds his nephew, Charles Darnay, leaving for England, denouncing his uncle's cruelty to the peasants. Darnay, crossing to England with Lucie Manette, is arrested upon landing and tried for treason. By a trick, Sydney Carton, one of the defending lawyers, gets for Evremonde, leaving for England, the complaint, that he might have been mistaken in his identification of Darnay.

DARNAY MAKES A CONFESSION

CHAPTER IV

The jurors returned after a brief absence with a verdict of acquittal. Darnay was free. As he returned to leave the box, Lucie Manette was the first to reach his side. She gave him her hands.

"I am so glad—so very glad." They looked at each other, finding words inadequate. Darnay kissed her hand.

Stryver approached importantly. "Glad to have brought you off with honor, my friend," responded Darnay with fervent gratitude.

"Never any other outcome possible. Barsad and I—" he snapped his fingers. "Why, I could have told you from the very sound of your names that they were—" Stryver caught a wistful glance from Sydney Carton, and gave his sentence a differing ending. "Well, er—anyway, it was very simple."

Dr. Manette and Miss Pross joined the group about Darnay while Carton made his way to Barsad who was slinking toward the courtroom door.

"Well, Barsad," he said, "I think you have favoured England long enough. I suggest that you shed your light on another country."

"Yes, Mr. Carton, sir. I'd love to travel, sir."

"Perhaps France—or you might prefer a remoter country, China—"

Barsad, eyes downward, made his escape, while Carton returned to the congratulatory group about Darnay.

Charles Darnay just then Miss Pross hurried. Lucie Manette and her father away. Mr. Lorry was saying to Darnay:

"My boy, never for a moment did I doubt your innocence."

"So, Mr. Lorry," said Carton cynically, "a responsible man of business may speak to Mr. Darnay in public—now that he's acquitted."

Lorry gave him a long angry stare and took his departure in a huff. Darnay was smiling a goodbye to Lucie as she passed a window.

"Mr. Darnay, you are a very fortunate young man," said Carton.

Darnay turned at the voice, somewhat annoyed that his admiration for Lucie had had a witness. "I beg your pardon, sir?"

"Well, it's not long since you were well advanced on your way to another world."

"I am most grateful to Mr. Stryver and to you. Would you care to dine with me?"

"I don't dine, but I'll wine."

They sought a tavern where they had dinner. Darnay doing justice to the food, Carton to the drink. As he pursued his course towards inebriation Carton became rather pugnacious, slightly insolent.

"How does it feel, Mr. Darnay, to be alive again—to taste, to feel?"

"It is very agreeable."

"I'm glad you find it so."

"Why, don't you?"

"As a matter of fact, I care for no man—and no man cares for me."

"You seem to be rather bitter today. Up all night, I'll wager."

"Not a wink. Very sad—just drinking for no reason."

"You are smug, Mr. Darnay, to ask why people drink. But I'll tell you: so they can stand their fellow men better. After a few bottles I might even like you."

Darnay arose angrily, but soon controlled himself and sat down again. "You have been kind to me. I will not reward your kindness by taking offence."

"Good fellow! A toast. Let's drink a toast—drink to the person nearest your heart—the one you are thinking of this instant."

"I don't know."

"Oh, yes, you do. It's on the tip of your tongue now."

"Very well—to Miss Manette."

They raised their glasses and drank. "It must be worth being tried for such sympathy and compassion. Tell me, Mr. Darnay, do you think I particularly like you?"

"I thought you did, but you're acting now as though you didn't."

Darnay stood up and called waiter. "There is nothing in your drink, I hope, to prevent me settling for the dinner?"

"In that case, waiter," said Carton, "another bottle. Good night, Mr. Darnay. Don't let your sober face cheat you."

When his host had departed, Carton looked at himself in a cracked mirror on the wall.

"Why treat the fellow like that?" he muttered to himself. "Is it because he shows you what you have fallen away from—what you might have been? Change places with him and would you have been looked at by those blue eyes as he was? Come on, Carton, you're jealous. Have it out in plain words—hate the fellow!" With the words he dashed his glass into the mirror.

Charles Darnay soon became a frequent caller at the Manette establishment. The Doctor liked and trusted him; Lucie loved him enough to be willing to entrust her future to him. Miss Pross hid her tolerance for him under a sharp and seemingly contemptuous tongue. Lucie had invited him to attend Christmas Eve service with the family, and they were dressed to go out, and waiting for him.

"Really, what can be keeping Mr. Darnay?" demanded Miss Pross. "A man who would be late for Christmas service would be late for his wedding. Well, after all, Miss Lucie continued at a reproving glance from her mistress, "he's a foreigner and you can't expect foreigners to take Christmas the way we do—especially French foreigners."

"Now, Miss Pross, don't you think you are unjust?" asked Dr. Manette.

"Charles told me he had to see Mr. Lorry about something," said

Lucie.

"I mean young Frenchmen," stated Miss Pross. "Anything can be more important to a young man than going to church. I'm sorry that Mr. Darnay has gone into Mr. Lorry's bank. You all think it was a great kindness on Mr. Lorry's part, but I don't, because I think Mr. Lorry is an atheist. All bankers—and all Frenchmen, too—are atheists!"

Darnay, tense and nervous, was announced at that moment and Pross relented enough to return his Christmas greeting to them, adding: "We've been waiting for you."

"Lucie and Miss Pross were worried," said Dr. Manette. "They thought something might have happened to you."

"I'm terribly sorry. I've been with Mr. Lorry on business. Will you forgive me, Lucie, if I don't go with you to church? I must speak to your father about something that has arisen."

"You are worried, Charles." She was evidently perturbed.

"It's nothing serious, Lucie. If I might speak with Dr. Manette? Mr. Lorry has sent Jerry Cruncher to light you and Miss Pross to church."

"Very well, Charles," sighed Lucie. "We'll come back directly after the services. You'll wait for us?"

He hesitated over the promise, and Miss Pross hurried Lucie off. When they went out of the room, Darnay turned at once to Dr. Manette, his nervousness increasing.

"I will not delay disclosing to you what I have to say, Dr. Manette. I have just learned from Mr. Lorry something that distresses me deeply."

"My dear Charles!" exclaimed Dr. Manette sympathetically.

"He has told me of your history, of your suffering, that for eighteen years you were imprisoned in the Bastille by the Marquis of Evremonde."

"It's true. I've been trying to forget that awful time."

"It is a bitter irony that this man, who did you such a dreadful injustice should be my blood relation."

"Charles, what are you saying?" cried Dr. Manette.

"It's true. He is my uncle. My mother was Evremonde."

"Evremonde! You are..." Dr. Manette ceased speaking, staring at Darnay as though at some dreadful nightmare that had engulfed him.

"I have no choice but to confess it."

"I cannot tell you that I have already taken legal steps to repudiate my uncle and my inheritance. This is why..." He broke off aware that Dr. Manette was not listening, that he was sitting in the chair before him, his mind miles away across some frontier where he could not follow him. "Dr. Manette! Dr. Manette!"

"Would you mind..." Dr. Manette looked at him as though not seeing him.

"Could you mind..." The Doctor seemed to be struggling against some horrible nightmare. "Would you mind... very much... closing the door?" Evremonde, he whispered. "No. I am here—I am here!"

(To Be Continued)

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET UPWARD YESTERDAY

New York, April 2.

Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Dow Jones Summary of yesterday's market:—Stocks, bonds, commodities, except grains, and the Dollar advanced on the easier situation in Europe and on the continued expansion of the domestic business. Buyers to-day forced the industrial average to a high level since 1931. Automobile and steel stocks led in the early upturn. Mercantile, copper, oil, airplane, electric equipment and rubber securities advanced, but farm-implement issues eased late in the session. Steel shares were subjected to moderate profit-taking sales late in the session. In the market for bonds, domestic corporation issues were strong. Stocks on the Curb Exchange were higher.

Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Dow Street Journal comment on 1/4 market:—"Cane-sugar refiners during the first quarter showed markedly improved earnings and were above those of the corresponding period of last year. Brokers are bullish on stocks in retail trade. Followers of the Dow-Jones theory say that whether or not the market is embarking on another broadening of the primary bull market will depend upon the ability of railroad issues to push decisively through the late February level of 51.27. Financial circles consider Herr Hitler's proposals simply as a postponement of war threats. A few chart compilers report that their formations indicate a substantial reaction is in the offing. Some traders are buying Chrysler stock on the belief that it is out of line with General Motor issues."

S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: Securities continued to be

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TO-DAY'S OPENING QUOTATIONS

Selling	
T.T. Demand	1/3 1/4
T.T. Singapore	1/8 1/4
T.T. Shanghai	107
T.T. Japan	110 1/2
T.T. India	85 1/2
T.T. Franco & New York	40 1/2
T.T. Java	10 1/4
T.T. France	4 1/2
T.T. Manila	63 1/4
T.T. Bangkok	143 1/4
T.T. Saigon	48 1/4
T.T. Lisbon	68 1/2
Buying	
4 m/s. L/C	1/4 1/4
4 b/s. D/P	1/4 1/4
6 m/s. L/C	1/4 1/4
4 m/s. San Francisco & New York	33 1/4
4 m/s. Franco	5 1/4
New York-London	4 1/2

In good demand and the market closed generally higher. The Simmons Company estimate its first quarter earnings at \$500,000, against a loss during the corresponding quarter of last year. This concedes the possibility of a moderate dividend in the next Autumn. The President of the United States Steel Corporation forecasts a seasonally good second-quarter. The current operations are 75 per cent. of capacity and there are prospects of production holding at that level.

Cotton: Prices to-day advanced on a more favourable construction of the latest marketing plan in connection with the Government's stocks of cotton. The weather continues dry in Texas and Oklahoma, which further aided the market.

Wheat: The market was lower on scattered precipitation in the South-West and on the weakness of foreign markets on liquidation. Donovan & Company estimate the winter crop of

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters.

New York Cotton

May	11.17	11.20/20
July	10.81	10.84/04
October	10.21	10.26/26
December	10.10	10.28/28
January	10.22	10.32/32
March	10.28	10.38/38
Spot	11.60	11.60

New York Rubber

May	16.98	16.00/00
July	16.07	16.08/08
September	16.10	16.15/17
December	16.27	16.28/31
March	16.35	16.42

Total sales: 62 lots.

Chicago Wheat

May	96 1/4	94 1/4/94 1/4
July	85 1/4	83 1/4/83 1/4
September	84 1/4	82 1/4/82 1/4

Wednesday's sales: 22,120,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn

May	60 1/4	60 1/4/60 1/4
July	60 1/4	60 1/4/60 1/4
September	61 1/4	61 1/4/61 1/4

Winnipeg Wheat

May	81 1/4	80/80
July	82 1/4	81/81
October	83 1/4	81 1/4/81 1/4

wheat at 530,000,000 bushels, whilst Snow & Company estimate the crop at 520,000,000 bushels.

Rubber: The market was quiet. Manufacturers are not following advances at the moment.

REUTERS QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages:		
30 Industrials	155.06	160.43
20 Rails	47.70	49.04
20 Utilities	32.44	32.54
40 Bonds	101.85	102.04
11 Commodity Index	56.88	56.50

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Pres. Hoover	10 a.m.	Apr. 18th		Pres. Grant		Apr. 24th	
Pres. Cleveland	8 a.m.	May 6th		Pres. Jefferson		May 8th	
Pres. Coolidge	8 a.m.	May 16th		Pres. Jackson		May 22nd	
Pres. Taft	8 a.m.	June 3rd		Pres. McKinley		June 5th	

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Pres. Wilson		Apr. 25th		Pres. Hoover	9 p.m.	Apr. 9th	
Pres. Monroe		May 9th		Pres. Hayes	8 a.m.	Apr. 11th	
Pres. Van Buren		May 23rd		Pres. Grant	6 p.m.	Apr. 18th	
Pres. Garfield		June 6th		Pres. Wilson	8 a.m.	Apr. 25th	

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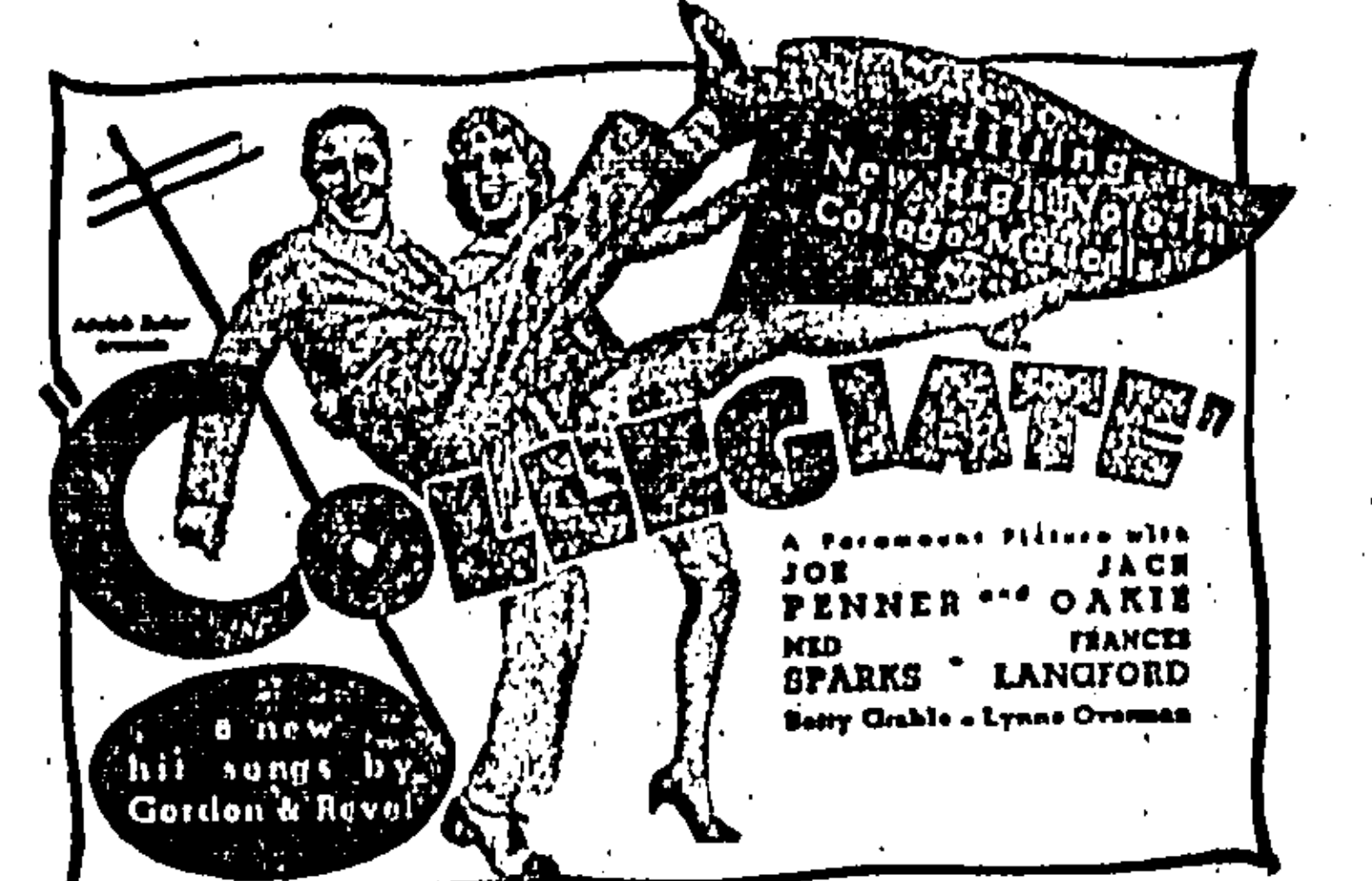


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LITTLE HOPE OF PEACE

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ETHIOPIAN APPEAL

(Special To "Telegraph")

Rome, Apr. 2. Despite the Government's acceptance of Senor Madariaga's invitation to get into touch with him with a view to the settlement of the Ethiopian war, there seems little prospect of a quick settlement under the auspices of the Committee of Thirteen.

Both the plan of the Committee of Five and the Hoare-Laval plan, as a basis for a possible settlement, have been declared in political circles to be out of the question.

It is officially denied that the Negus has sent emissaries to talk peace with the Italian High Command, and it is not believed that Signor Mussolini will advance any definite peace proposals.

It is, however, suggested that the French Ambassador, who is returning to Paris for a brief holiday, may sound the French Government with regard to its views.—Reuter Special.

CONVERSATION PLANNED

Rome, Apr. 2. It is officially announced that Signor Savio, the Italian under-secretary for Foreign Affairs, is seeing Senor Madariaga, chairman of the Committee of Thirteen, to convey the Italian Government's acceptance of the invitation to get in touch with the Committee with a view to discussing settlement of the Italian-Ethiopian conflict.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

ETHIOPIAN APPEAL

Geneva, Apr. 2. A three-fold appeal was made to the League of Nations to-day by the Ethiopian Government.

It asked first for financial assistance, secondly for the removal of obstacles certain states were still placing in the way of transport of arms to Ethiopian troops, and thirdly for reinforcement and completion of sanctions.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

GOVERNMENT DEFEATED

FAILS TO BLOCK LORDS' VOTE

London, Apr. 2. The Government suffered two minor defeats in the House of Lords this evening, during the debate on the Bill providing unemployment insurance for agricultural labourers.

A clause providing that labourers should draw their benefits from the Post Office, instead of having to go possibly long distances to the Labour Exchange, was proposed by the Conservatives and supported by the Labourites. It was opposed by the Government, but was adopted by 33 votes to 9.

The Government was again defeated by 18 votes to 13 in connection with the machinery for payment of the benefits.—Reuter Special.

NO SIGNIFICANCE

London, Apr. 2. Following the surprise defeat of the Government last night in the House of Commons division on an amendment in favour of equal pay for men and women for equal work in the Civil Service, the Government was twice defeated in the Lords this evening on amendments to the Agricultural Unemployment Insurance Bill. The defeats have no political significance.

With reference to the Commons incident, the Prime Minister announced to-day that he would present on Monday a motion on equal pay for men and women in the Civil Service—upon which question the Government were not prepared to depart from present policy—and the Government would treat the division as a vote of confidence.—British Wireless.

ADMIRAL LITTLE IN MACAO

ENTERTAINED BY GOVERNOR

Macao, April 2. Vice Admiral Sir Charles C. Little, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, arrived here to-day at 6.30 p.m. from Canton aboard H.M.S. Raleigh.

Sir Charles was the guest of the Governor of Macao, Dr. J. Pereira Barbosa, and Madame Barbosa to dinner this evening at Government House. Despite it being unofficial owing to the death of King George V, Macao feels honoured to receive a visit from the distinguished guest.

An attempt is being made to arrange a football match between one of the local teams and the Falmouth's eleven.

The Admiral expects to be in Macao for two days before returning to Hongkong.—Our Own Correspondent.

Britain's Interest Respected

ITALIANS AT LAKE TSANA

ETHIOPIANS IN RETREAT

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, April 2. The British authorities show little concern over Italy's advance towards Lake Tsana, recalling Signor Benito Mussolini's repeated assurances that Britain's interests will be respected there.—United Press.

STEADY ADVANCE

Rome, April 2. A communique from the line of action near Gondar stated to-day that the Italians have occupied the towns of Masalegera and Raft, in the north-west sector, and that numbers of Emperor Haile Selassie's Guards are deserting to the Italian side. Italian aircraft and artillery are intensively active north of Lake Ashangi.

It is reported that Emperor Haile Selassie is retreating rapidly towards Dessaye. Military experts believe he is in danger of being bottled up, since flying columns are reported converging on Dessaye from the east and west.

RESPECTS PROMISE

It is authoritatively stated that Britain need not be disturbed by the Italian occupation of Lake Tsana, as Signor Mussolini will adhere to his promise and respect British interests. It is denied that Italians are occupying the region for political motives, and in order to force a settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian controversy, with all its attendant complications while Britain is harassed in the Rhineland dispute.

"Our motives are purely military and strategic," the Italians claim.

ON LAKE'S SHORE

Italy's motorised cavalry to-day hoisted the Roman colours on the northern shore of Lake Tsana, which Great Britain regards as her own special domain in Ethiopia.

Simultaneously, Marshal Pietro Badoglio's forces mopped up in the Lake Ashangi region, where they met and crushingly defeated Emperor Haile Selassie's hand-picked Imperial Guards, led by the Conquering Lion of Judah himself.

The battle took place yesterday. The Italian occupation of the Lake Tsana area touches vital British interests in north-west Ethiopia, as Lake Tsana is the source of the Blue Nile and supplies the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan and Egypt with water.—United Press.

SON'S TESTIMONY MAY BRING MOTHER DEATH

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Los Angeles, Apr. 2. A sixty-year-old mother sat in court with head bowed to-day while her thirty-six-year-old son, Ted Dubois, a newspaper advertising man, unwillingly aided the state to obtain a conviction against her.

She is charged with murdering purchased a pistol and some old clothes last December and carefully prepared evidence to indicate an itinerant murderer. She then shot her son as he sat alone in his study.—United Press.

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MANCHUKUO VIEW

Moscow, Apr. 2.

With the cessation of hostilities in the latest Outer Mongolia-Manchukuo border incident, Government circles here are more hopeful that the situation will improve.

The fighting of March 31, which continued yesterday, is described as the most serious which has yet occurred.—Reuter.

CAUSE OF CLASH

Washington, Apr. 2. The Japanese Embassy here has informed the Government that the subsequent crisis was caused by the seizure of a Manchukuo Army officer by Mongolians. He was arrested on March 29.

On March 31 Manchukuo troops undertook to rescue him, and sharp fighting followed, in which the Mongols used tanks and aeroplanes.—United Press.

MANCHUKUO PROTEST

Tokyo, Apr. 2. A protest from the Manchukuo Government over the March 31 incident has been lodged with outer Mongolia. It claims that the Mongols aggressively attacked the Japanese-Manchukuo frontier post near Lake Buir, causing several casualties. The Manchukuo forces were obliged to defend themselves.

Manchukuo warns Mongolia that unless such actions cease grave consequences will follow. Mongolia must bear the responsibility in such an event.—United Press.

POISON GAS USED

Moscow, Apr. 2. A Tokyo report from Hainan, alleging that Outer Mongolians used poison-gas bombs in the Manchukuo frontier clash on Tuesday, is categorically denied here.

A message from Ulan Bator states that the report is without foundation. It is suggested here that the report may be intended to justify the use of poison-gas by the Japanese and Manchukuo forces in the next raid.—Reuter.

INDIA'S NEW VICEROY

LEAVES ENGLAND FOR POST

London, Apr. 2.

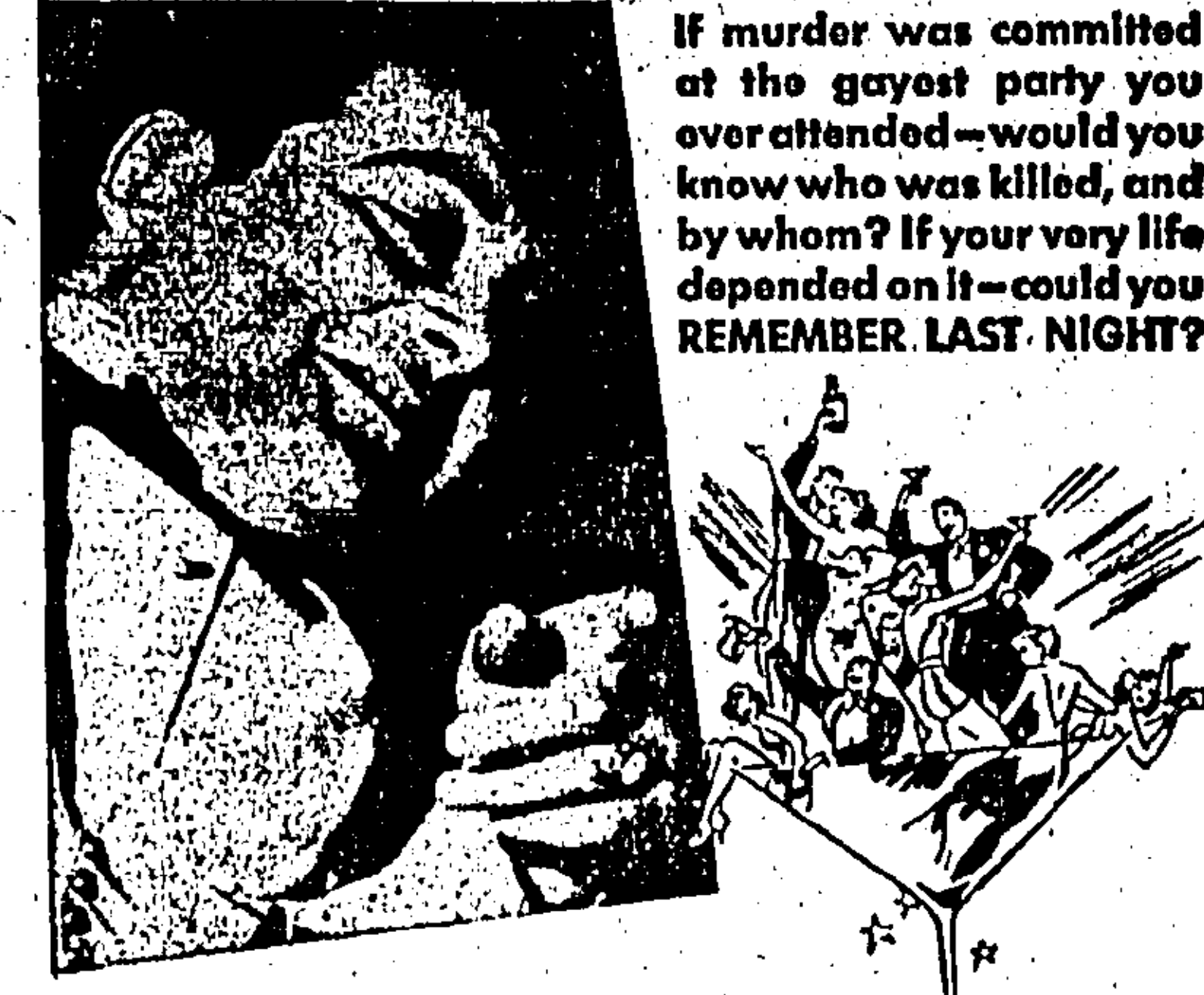
The Marquis of Linlithgow, new Viceroy of India, accompanied by the Marchioness and three daughters, together with his staff, departed for India to-day to take up his post.

Farewells were said at the railway station by a representative of the King and a number of notabilities.—Reuter Special.

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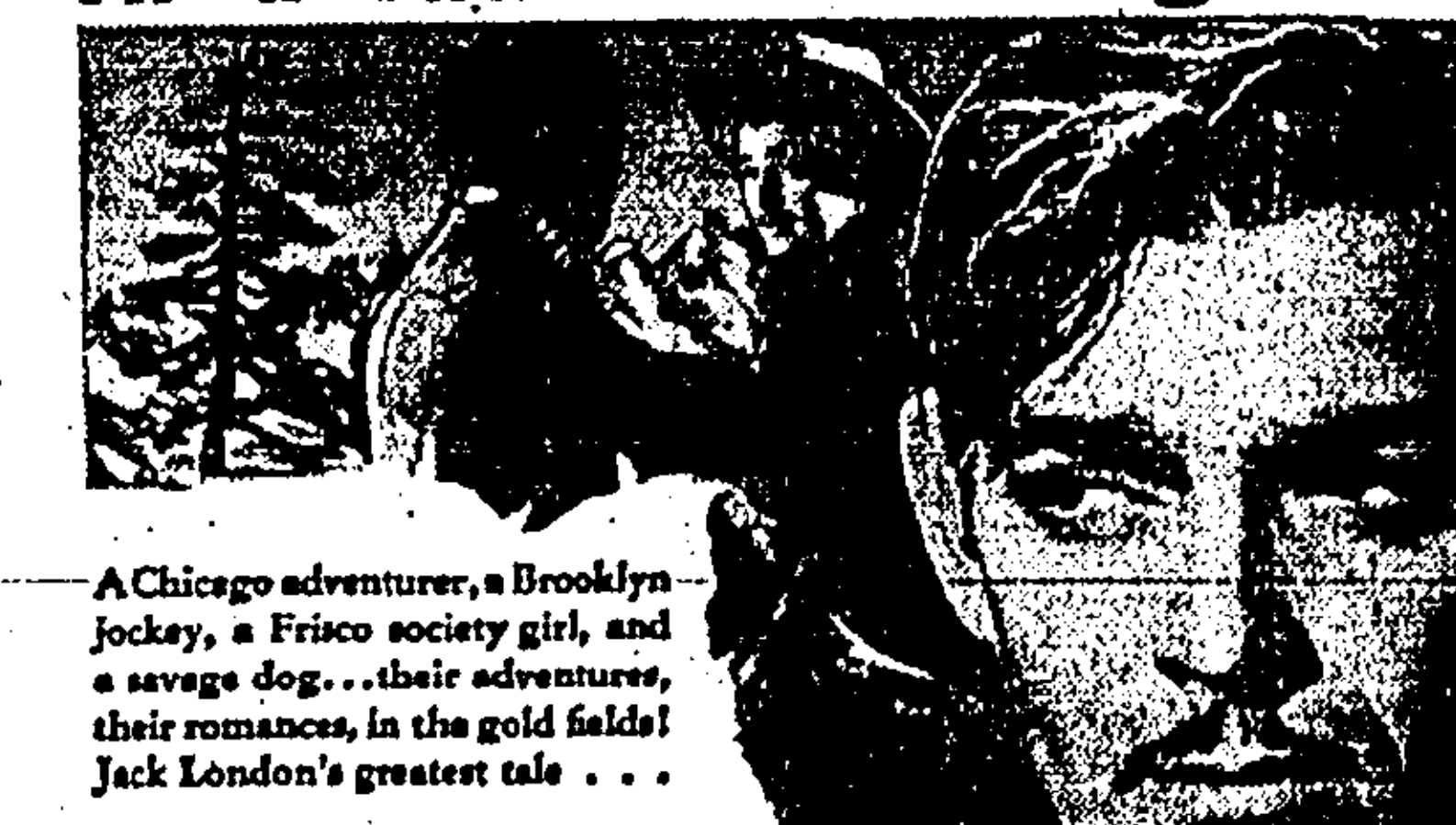
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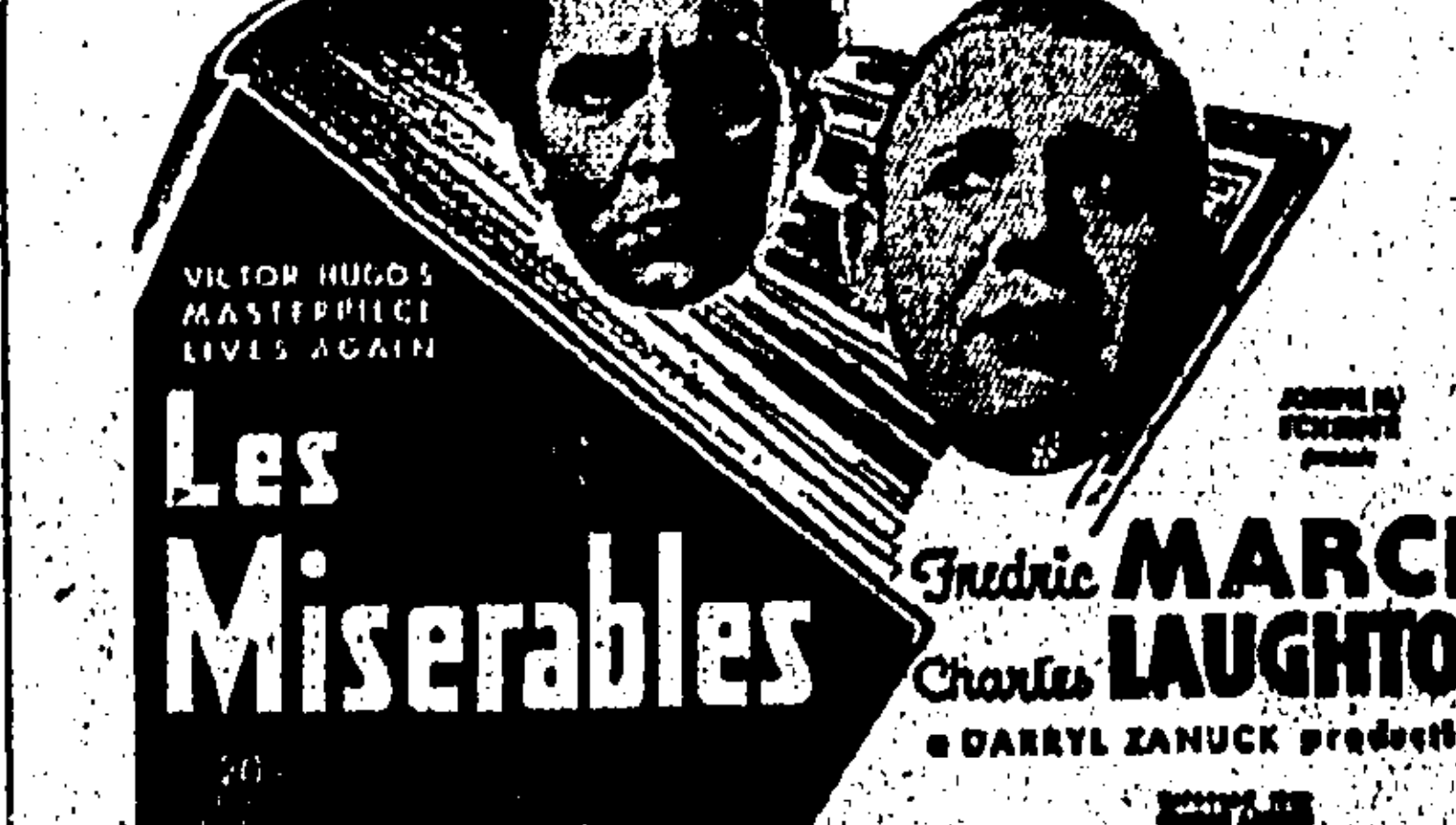
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